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BIG SHIFT LIKELY

AN EXTENSIVE RE-SHUFFLE OF THE BRITISH WAR CABINET IS CONSIDERED LIKELY.

Mr. Winston Churchill's visits to the King are believed to be connected with the proposed changes.

The Press Association's Lobby Correspondent states that there is reason to believe that changes in other departments, as well as the War Cabinet, will be announced almost immediately.

THE CORRESPONDENT ANTICIPATES MR. CHAMBERLAIN'S RESIGNATION FOR HEALTH REASONS. THIS WILL LEAVE A VACANCY IN THE WAR CABINET AND IT WOULD NOT BE SURPRISING, SAYS THE CORRESPONDENT, IF MR. ERNEST BEVIN WERE TO CHANGE FROM HIS PRESENT POSITION AS MINISTER OF LABOUR TO ONE WITH LESS DEPARTMENTAL RESPONSIBILITY, BUT MORE SCOPE.

There is some reason to think that Lord Halifax will remain in the Government and, as Lord Beaverbrook is already a member of the War Cabinet, he too may retain his present office.

Some good judges anticipate that Mr. Duff Cooper may leave the Ministry of Information for the War Office, in which case Mr. Eden would doubtless be found an outlet elsewhere, possibly at the Ministry of Supply.—Reuter.

G.H.Q. FOR SCIENCE

Britain is to have a General Headquarters of Science to co-ordinate and stimulate research and the discoveries of scientific workers in all spheres.

The personnel will consist of internationally known scientific investigators like Sir William Bragg, Dr. E. F. Appleton, Sir Edward Mellanby, Sir Edwin Butler, Professor A. V. Hill, and Professor A. G. Egerton.

The Chairman will be Lord Hankey, who will convey the fruits of the new body's labours directly to the Lord Chancellor.—Reuter.

ATTACK ON TRAWLERS

Returning from an inland raid yesterday, three Messerschmidt fighters dived out of formation to machine-gun three trawlers off the South-East coast.

They then attempted to attack a balloon barrage but were driven off by anti-aircraft fire. The trawlers, which began to zig-zag when attacked, carried on.—Reuter.

VAIN WAIT FOR SEQUEL

The German Radio yesterday morning announced that "strong bomber and fighter forces have started for England again," but its listeners will probably wait in vain to hear that these formations very quickly returned in disorder—but that is what actually happened!

An official announcement says that between midnight and noon yesterday, eight German planes were brought down without a single loss to the R.A.F.

Up to late yesterday afternoon, London had had six "alerts," but no German planes came nearer than the outskirts, where a few bombs were dropped, property damaged and some people killed.

During one raid, three people were killed when their house was demolished.

Their dog, which had taken refuge in the shelter, was not hurt.

Three bombs partly wrecked a house, killing one person, a fourth wrecked an old farm-house and others fell in parks and the grounds of a school.

It seems certain that these bombs were dropped from odd raiders which got through in weather which favoured them—large cloud formations affording ample cover. Large formations were all turned back by gun-fire and fighters.

The Germans yesterday again

Head Of British Oil Company Under Arrest Or Abducted

A PROMINENT BRITON, Mr. Miller, who is the administrator of the Astra-Romano Oil Company, was arrested at midnight on Tuesday at the Astra Company's Sports Club at Unagow, 20 miles from Bucharest.

Four Government men in civilian clothes made the arrest, which has just been disclosed in Bucharest.

Mr. Miller's whereabouts are unknown as he was driven away in a car. The British Consulate is making inquiries.

Mr. Miller is the sixth Briton to be arrested by the Rumanian authorities.

The arrest is considered the most important hitherto as he holds the leading position in the biggest oil company in Rumania.

On Kidnapped?

Later reports received in Bucharest, however, indicate that Miller may not have been arrested but kidnapped by Iron Guards.

DORNIER TERRORIST CREW CAUGHT

A few minutes after it had machine-gunned the streets of an Essex town, a German Dornier bomber was shot down by Hurricanes who were returning from a patrol over the North Sea.

The German pilot tried dodging in and out of the clouds, but several of the Hurricanes got in bursts of machine-gun fire and the Dornier crashed twenty miles away near a searchlight post.

One of the Hurricane pilots who had helped to shoot down the raider landed nearby and was congratulated by the searchlight crew who had taken four of the German crew prisoners.

The searchlight men were surprised at the size of the British pilots. Four feet three inches in height, he is one of the smallest pilots in the Air Force.—Reuter.

used a handful of bombers protected by a mass of fighters.—Reuter.

A WASTE OF TIME

American radio reporters in Germany are getting so annoyed at the Nazi censorship that they are thinking of giving it all up and leaving the country.

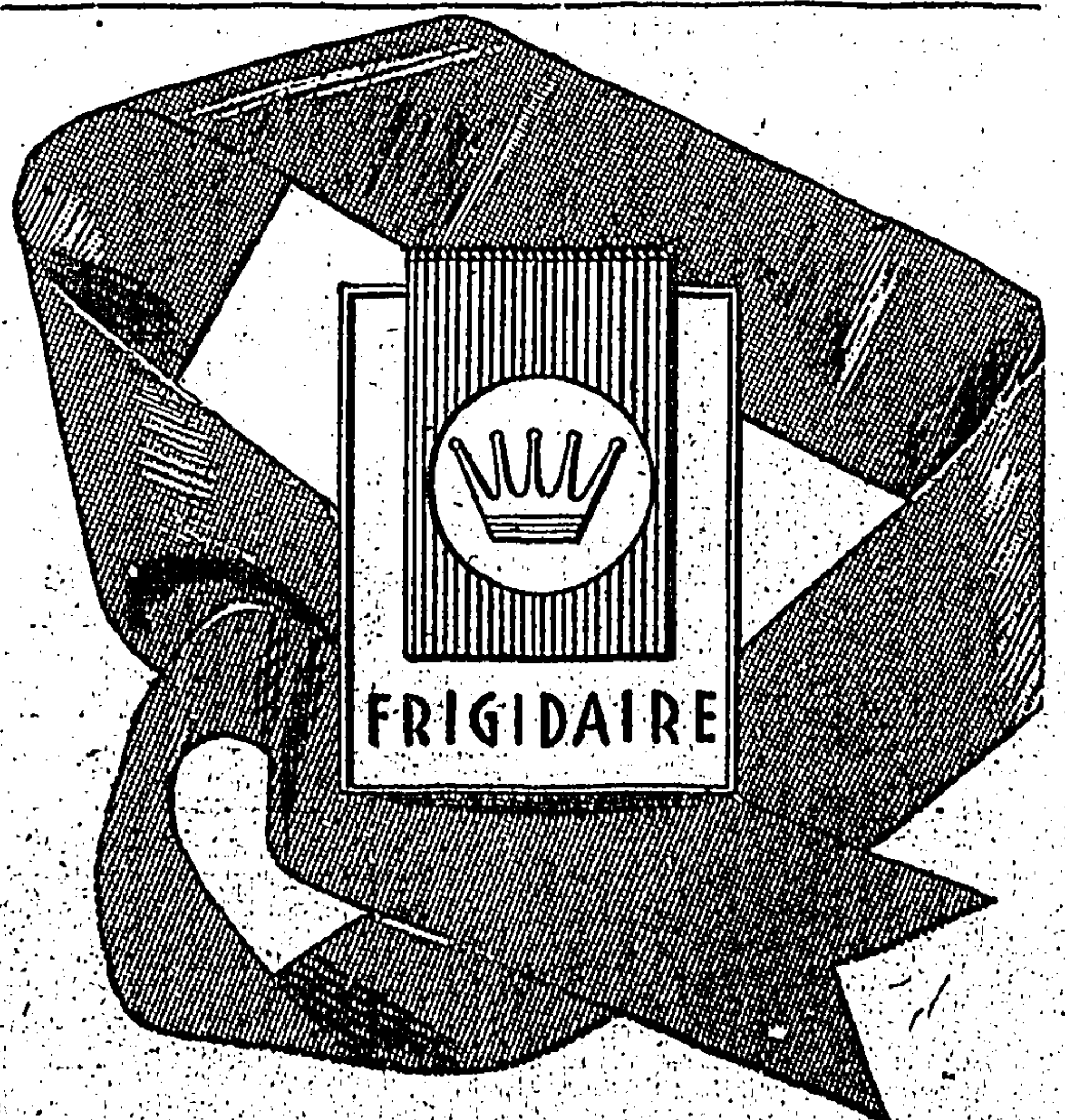
"Variety," doyen of American screen, stage and radio magazines, reports that officials of the various American broadcasting companies believe that the available broadcasting material from Germany contains "little of authentic news value," and are considering the withdrawal of their correspondents from Germany.—Reuter.

TRAWLER LOST

The Admiralty announced last night that H.M. trawler Recoll is overdue and must be considered lost.—Reuter.

ITALIAN BOMBER FORCED DOWN

An Italian bomber which raided Malta on Tuesday was damaged by anti-aircraft fire and later landed in Syria.—Reuter.



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GENERAL WAVELL'S ARMY STRONGLY REINFORCED

NEWS FROM GENERAL Wavell's command in the Middle East continues to be reassuring, writes Reuter's military correspondent.

His Egyptian front, already strong in mechanised cavalry and first-class infantry of the line, has now been reinforced by a contingent of Australians.

In Kenya, his South African troops are now reported to be holding 500 miles of lines of communications from the south of the Abyssinia frontier.

In Uganda and Sudan, the main routes to important military objectives are now well defended.

General Graziani and the Army from Libya has been halted at Sidi Barrani for a fortnight. During that period his forces have been heavily attacked by British aircraft at Ben Ghazi and Tozruk, both vital sea bases.

Bardia and the road to Bug Bug have been shelled by the British fleet and important aerodromes, including Marawa, have received unexpected attention from British Blenheims, whose range, action and endurance come as an unpleasant surprise to the Italian military effort.

Abyssinia Raids

The South African Air Force continues its raids on the far from inexhaustible oil dumps and munition stores in Abyssinia and Italian Somaliland. These latter operations are close linked with what is happening in Egypt.

Abyssinia is cut off and there are a large number of Italian troops there. The defences of Egypt have been greatly strengthened.

The British Navy in the Mediterranean and R.A.F. operating over the entire Middle East Command have been reinforced during the last few weeks.—Reuter.

CHEMIST HAS TO SIGN ON

Chemists and agricultural contractors are the two newest types of workers to be harnessed to national service.

All persons with certain qualifications in chemistry, physics and quantity surveying must under a new Ministry of Labour and National Service Order in force apply for registration with the Central Register.

Qualification is approximately, although not necessarily, membership or associate membership of recognised professional institutions.

Every agricultural contractor in England and Wales had to register by August 1, 1940, with the War Agricultural Executive Committee for any county in which he does work.

OBJECTS OF ORDER

He must give the committee particulars of his machinery and equipment and of the areas in which he normally operates, and comply with any directions the committee may give in regard to his operations.

The order applies to persons whose principal business is that of carrying out agricultural operations on land other than that in their own occupation.

The object of the Order is to assist county War Agricultural Executive Committees in organising machinery work to ensure the fullest use of available resources.

MEATLESS 'IDEAL'

After guests at a luncheon of the National Defence Public Interests Committee in London had enjoyed a meal of hors d'oeuvres, chicken, ice and coffee, Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, Minister of Health, told them what would be the perfect menu. It was:—

Four ounces of bread,
Two-thirds of an ounce of oatmeal,
Half-ounce of fats,
Five ounces of potatoes,
All washed down with one-fifth of a pint of milk.
Dealing with evacuation, Mr. MacDonald said no place could be absolutely safe from air raid risks, but some places were much safer than others.

"In the boroughs," he said, "every enemy bomb has on the average killed or injured three people. It is actually fifteen times as safe in a reception area as in an evacuation area."

"With Love And Kisses"

Mr. MacDonald read this letter written home by a child evacuee:—

"Dear Ma and Pa—I hope you are quite well. I am having a fine time. Yesterday thirty German parachutists landed here. With love and kisses."

He commented: "No one can say that the dull uniformity of State education has killed that child's imagination."

"If I could choose the moment when I would most wish to be alive in the long unending future, I would choose a few days or weeks hence, whenever the time may come, when the enemy strikes with his maximum force against this island."

"Alone in the front line trench, defending civilisation are the people of this island. Of course we shall suffer."

"But in the end we shall so sink their ships on the seas that guard our shores, and so slay their invaders, and so tear their aeroplanes from the sacred sky above our homes that we shall turn the tide of war."

EXTRA TEA FOR HEAVY WORKERS

Heavy workers who have qualified for an extra ration of sugar may soon also have an extra ration of tea.

The extra ration will be granted at the discretion of the local food officer, but an official of the Ministry of Food said:—

"Any heavy worker should have no difficulty in obtaining the extra ration."

Black furnace workers, tinplate workers, harvesters, coal heavers, dock workers and kindred trades are among those who were granted the extra ra-

ITALIAN FANTASY RECOILS

Italian propaganda has aroused the contempt of the Arabs.

At first, a feeling of dismay was caused in remoter parts of the desert by an Italian announcement that Aden had been razed to the ground. This feeling changed to disgust at such deliberate lying when it became known that the inhabitants of Aden continue to regard a bomb crater as a thing of curiosity.

As soon as a bomb bursts on land, there is a rush to collect splinters for sale as mementoes. In outlying towns and villages, and in Aden itself, attentive crowds gather each evening around loud-speakers to hear the news.

When the announcer mentions Italians, mutters run through the listeners, "May God curse them."

In contrast to the violent dislike of Italians, is the increasing confidence in the British. For instance, an English official acceded to a request by local religious leaders on Tuesday to broadcast a prayer in Arabic calling the blessings of Allah upon the observance of the Great Moslem Feast of Ramadan which will last from Tuesday until the new moon.—Reuter.

GO EASY WITH GARDEN HOSE

Don't waste water. If fires are caused by bombing, large quantities of water may be needed.

This plea to all consumers of water is made by Mr. H. Berry, chairman of the Metropolitan Water Board.

He says that if it becomes necessary to restrict supplies of water it will be because of lack of voluntary cooperation by a minority of consumers.

A particular appeal is made to gardeners. Much more land is under cultivation this year, and much more water is being used for gardening.

The Board emphasises the advice which any good gardener will give: use the hose, not the hose. Hoeling is better than watering—and it saves water.

USE THE BATH WATER

An appeal is also made to people who fill up their baths at night for A.R.P. purposes. Used water is good enough for the stirrup pump and householders are asked to leave the bath water after their bath.

There is plenty of water for all legitimate purposes, but there is none to waste" says Mr. Berry.

Consumption during the year ended March last fell by 11,499,800 gallons to 298,610,000. But evacuation has not caused such a drop as was expected.

A short fire recently needed 1,100,000 gallons of water. The big fire at Butler's Wharf in 1931 needed 16,000,000 gallons.

tion of sugar and who will benefit by the extra allowance of tea.

The basis upon which the Ministry of Food calculate the ration and extra ration is that a pound of tea will provide 200 good-sized cups of tea.

Applications for this extra ration may be made to the local food officers.

YACHTS FOR ANTI-SUBMARINE PATROLS

Fifteen large ocean-going yachts have been acquired by the Canadian Navy, says Reuter's Ottawa correspondent, for conversion into anti-submarine patrol vessels.

An official announcement to this effect was made yesterday by Navy Minister MacDonald.—Reuter.

MISSION TO SOUTH AMERICA

SLIGHT MODIFICATION IN THE PERSONNEL OF THE BRITISH ECONOMIC MISSION WHICH IS GOING TO SOUTH AMERICA UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF LORD WILLINGDON HAS JUST BEEN ANNOUNCED IN LONDON.

Sir Harry Chilton, who has been British Ambassador in the Argentine and Chile, will replace Sir Horace Rumbold, who will be prevented by private reasons from accompanying the Mission.

Admiral Sir Cyril Fuller is joining the Mission as an additional member.—Reuter.

ITALIAN REBUFF IN SYRIA

Complete failure of the Italian Mission to Syria to reach their goal and flat rejection of their demands by M. Puaux, French High Commissioner of Syria, is reported in a Beyrouth message to the newspaper "Al Misri" in Cairo.

Mr. Puaux, it is said, rejected the Italian demand for surrender of 800 war planes on grounds that part of the air force in Syria had "left the country for the Middle East" and part had been purchased by the Lebanese Government.

The demand for the placing of aerodromes under Italian control was also rejected. M. Puaux declaring that they were located in Lebanese territory, and that according to stipulations of the French Mandate over Lebanon, France had no right to dispose of them.

The High Commissioner further refused to consider the demand for reduction of the French Army.

As a result of the Mission's failure, Mussolini is said to have recalled five generals who were members thereof, and replaced them with others who have now arrived in Syria.—Reuter.

OVERSEAS EVACUATION SCHEME TEMPORARILY ABANDONED

CITY OF BENARES TRAGEDY SEQUEL

THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT has decided that until further notice no more children can be sent overseas under the Children's Overseas Reception Scheme.

The recent loss of children in the "City of Benares" illustrated the dangers to which passenger vessels are exposed even when in convoy, under the weather conditions now prevailing in the Atlantic.

Government has come reluctantly to the conclusion that during the winter season of gales and heavy seas they cannot accept the responsibility of sending children overseas under the Government Scheme.

Although the operation of the Scheme is to be suspended for the time being, it has not been abandoned. The question whether the Board will be able to resume operations next year must turn on the conditions then obtaining.

Some 2,650 children have already gone overseas under the Scheme. The parents of these children may rest assured that there will be no suspension of the arrangements made for their welfare in their new homes.

Sole Consideration

Government recognise the keen disappointment that will be felt by parents who had hoped to be able to send their children overseas under the Government Scheme and they express warm thanks to the very many people in the Dominions and United States who so generously have offered hospitality to children from the vulnerable areas in this country.

They are sure, however, that friends and kindfolk overseas will be the first to appreciate that Government's decision has been taken solely out of consideration for the children themselves.—Reuter.

MINERS ASK FOR GOVT CONTROL

If the miners could be made to feel they are working "for the Government" and are linked up directly with the war effort, there would be no more lightning strikes. The men would not tolerate them.

Mr. J. A. Hall, president of the Yorkshire Mineworkers' Association, said that to a reporter in commenting on the stoppage at Grimethorpe Colliery near Barnsley.

Thousands of tons of coal were lost by the strike, which ended after being condemned by the miners' leaders. Three thousand men and boys returned to work.

Meanwhile, shifts are being lost through the absence of boys at Donaby Main Colliery, near Doncaster.

Mr. Hall advocated Government control of the mining industry, not from any political motive, but from a conviction that it was vital to the national interest and much preferable to appeal tribunals.

Meanwhile colliery owners had now agreed in principle to share all available trade, so that the maximum number of pits is kept in operation.

INVASION OF BRITAIN OFF, SAYS BERLIN

Ribbentrop's Whereabouts Mystery :: Soviet Riddle Hitler To Threaten Or To Woo?

AN OFFICIAL GERMAN DECLARATION THAT THE INVASION OF BRITAIN HAS BEEN SHELVED IS ALLEGED TO HAVE BEEN MADE TO A JAPANESE CORRESPONDENT IN BERLIN, REUTER'S DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT LEARNS IN LONDON.

The declaration took form of a statement that Germany's military and diplomatic positions have been so strengthened by the new pact with Japan that there is no longer any necessity for hurrying with invasion plans.

Many British experts have long been convinced that Germany would think twice before launching an assault on the British Isles, but the excuse for holding off does not carry conviction, the correspondent continues.

One of the finest summers in living memory should have favoured the German plans if the Royal Air Force, the British Navy and Army could have been ignored.

But there were other implications in the German statement. If Germany's hand has been strengthened it is obviously not against Britain.

As in the case of the German guarantee to despoiled Rumania, menace could only come from Russia.

The next few days should help to clarify the position, whether Germany by virtue of increased strength is to threaten Russia or woo her.

The existing uncertainty on the issue may explain the mystery which is being observed about von Ribbentrop's movements.

The German assertion that he is "visiting" in the country near Berlin lacks conviction.

Anglo-Japanese Relations

British relations with Japan are likely to enter a critical stage when the question of re-opening the Burma Road arises for decision during the next fortnight.

There seems little likelihood that the measure which was intended as a gesture of appeasement will be maintained now that Japan has openly promised her support to the Axis in certain contingencies.—Reuter.

No Confirmation In Moscow

Although reports have reached Moscow that Herr von Ribbentrop is supposed to have arrived in Moscow from Berlin, no confirmation of his presence is forthcoming from official circles in Moscow.

Reuter's correspondent in the Soviet capital says with reference to reports regarding Ribbentrop's activities and concerning the possible reaction of the Soviet Union to the Three-Power Pact, that it may be recalled that the organs of the Government Party, "Pravda" and "Izvestia" both recently stressed the neutrality of the Soviet Union in the present war.—Reuter.

Railway Agreement

Negotiations which have been taking place in Berlin between the German Minister of Transport and representatives of the Soviet Commissariat for Transport have resulted in the conclusion of a final railway agreement between the two countries, according to the official German press.

THE MADRAS WAR EFFORT

A further £15,000 has been cabled from Madras to the Air Ministry from the Governor's War Fund, bringing total contributions from this source to £247,000.—Reuter.

WHIPPED WIFE GETS DECREE

Roger Leon George Varenne, of Woodside Avenue, Highgate, N., whose act on the music-hall stage included cutting a cigarette (held in his wife's lips) with a stock whip and lassoing her, broke down in the Court of Appeal and protested that he never intentionally hit her.

His wife, Jessie Cooper Varenne (nee Gaunt), of Wensley Drive, Leeds, appealed against the dismissal by Mr. Justice Bucknill of her divorce petition on the ground of cruelty.

The Appeal Court granted Mrs. Varenne a decree nisi.

"Got In A Temper"

Among Mrs. Varenne's charges—all of which were denied—were that her husband got into a temper and used the whip in such a way that the thong caused welts on her face and head; that when using a rope to lasso her he "gave it an unnecessary pull" and hurt her legs, that she had been thrown out of her dressing-room and threatened with a thrashing, and that at Croydon in September, 1938, he deliberately hit her on the head with the whip four times during their act in a revue.

A short-handled stock whip with a 9ft. thong was produced in court.

Mr. Varenne explained that the thong and "cracker" on the whip he used were considerably longer, and the whip was correspondingly more difficult to handle.

"I think that Mrs. Varenne did establish her case and that Mr. Varenne ought not to have what is by the skin of his teeth," said Lord Justice Mackinnon.

STOCK EXCHANGE ACTIVITY

On the London Stock Exchange yesterday, small but decided improvement in business was noted in several groups, among which Kaffirs were the most prominent, with Far Western issues sharply higher on continued Cape and local support.

Industrials also attracted more buyers while oil-stock securities were quietly steady. Others mostly tended to advance. —Wall Street was firmer.—Reuter.

BOYS TELL OF TALK BY VICAR

On the evidence of four boys—two aged fifteen and two aged sixteen—a clergyman was fined £30 under the Defence Regulations.

It was alleged that in addressing about 100 boys he communicated air raid information which might be useful to the enemy, and made remarks which were likely to cause alarm or despondency.

"Warning The Boys"

Several witnesses said that the clergyman was unlikely to do anything detrimental to the country. He himself said he had been warning the boys against rumours and had been misunderstood.

But on the evidence of four boys he was convicted and fined.

The clergyman fined was the vicar of Emmanuel Church, Wallasey, Cheshire, the Rev. Harold Henry Williams.

He was fined £20 at Wallasey for communicating to three boys information which would or might be useful to the enemy.

He was also fined £10 for publishing a report or statement likely to cause alarm or despondency, and was ordered to pay £3 2s. costs.

The offences were said to have occurred while Mr. Williams was addressing about one hundred boys at the Lancashire and National Sea Training Homes, Wallasey, where he gave religious instruction.

One of the fifteen-year-old boys who gave evidence said the vicar named towns as having been heavily bombed. He also said Mr. Williams stated that Germany meant to be masters of the world and would be.

The boys, said the young witness, then booed and made cat-calls.

Mr. Williams said he was warning the boys against the danger of rumour and gossip, and illustrated that danger.

He had spoken of Germany's lust for power, but denied saying Germany would be masters of the world. He had explained that we were fighting for freedom of conscience, of the Press and religion.

He thought the boys must have misunderstood or misconstrued what he had said.

STANDARD CLOTHING IN THE SHOPS SOON

STANDARD CLOTHING for men and women in Britain is to be introduced soon. This does not mean that every garment will be uniform, but it does mean that there will be a narrow choice of materials, qualities and styles.

A standard clothing scheme has been under consideration by the Government for some time. It aims at economy of production, and will enable more men and women to be released for work of national importance.

"Many people are frightened by the words 'standard clothing.' Actually I should use the words 'rational clothing,' a director of a

RUMANIA DENIES NAZI INFILTRATION

A categorical denial of foreign radio reports that German airmen are stationed in the Rumanian oil-fields region, was issued on Tuesday by the semi-official Rumanian news agency in Bucharest, which also denied reports that German soldiers have prepared a landing ground near Targoviste and that there are German officers and specialists in various ports, at aerodromes and oil-fields.—Reuter.

GOWN OF COTTON FOR HEIRESS

An heiress bride wore a cotton dress for her wedding to an M.P.

She did so as a war economy measure and because cotton suited the simplicity of the Victorian style in which it was made.

The bride was Miss Anna Margaret (Peggy) Greenwell, who was married in St. John's Church, Westminster, to Mr. James Henderson Stewart, M.P. for East Fife since 1933.

Her becoming white dress was just plain cotton longcloth, such as the Victorian brides used to hem diligently to make sheets for their bottom drawer.

Her small nephew and niece, Rosemary Mides and Patrick Casement, also wore white cotton Kate Greenaway costumes.

In the absence of her brother, the present Baronet, Sir Peter Greenwell, who is a prisoner of war in Germany, the bride was given away by her uncle, Colonel McClintock.

In a House of Commons speech in 1937, Mr. Henderson said that he was a bachelor because he was blessed with a superb mother. "In comparison with whom it seems impossible to find a modern young woman fit to be a wife."

THEY SPENT £6,000 IN 6 MONTHS

Clutching a gold cross hanging from a chain about her neck, Terry Downey, twenty-year-old ex-convent girl, sobbed as she heard her lover, Donald Edward Davies, sentenced at the Old Bailey to two years' imprisonment for stealing goods worth between £8,000 and £10,000 from country houses near London.

The words of the sentence had ended for her a life of luxury, a flat in Mayfair, furs, expensive gowns, jewellery, a 30 h.p. car, gay night club life.

She looked at the platinum ring on her finger, murmured: "I'll work and wait."

She herself had been acquitted of a charge of receiving property stolen by her lover.

In January last Davies, who is only twenty, came out of prison after serving a six months' sentence for theft and started book-making on dog tracks.

He and his sweetheart met Harry Moscovitch, thirty-two, furrier—sentenced to two years' for receiving some of Davies' loot—and a hectic partnership began.

Yard Caught Up

Davies' method was to visit houses about nine or ten o'clock at night, after the occupants had finished dinner. He ransacked the bedrooms, stealing in one case more than £2,000 worth of jewellery and in another about £800 worth.

He and his sweetheart took an expensive flat near Marble Arch, bought a 30 h.p. car, became regular patrons of a West End night club. In six months they got through more than £6,000.

Then the Yard caught up with them, and they came back to earth. Davies and Moscovitch to jail, Terry to a weary two-year wait for the man she loves.

"I met him secretly at Kettering, and there, while the police were searching for him in Brighton we spent six happy days together," Miss Downey told a reporter.

"All that week we had tried to get a special marriage licence, but I was told I was under age and would have to get my parents' consent. I didn't want to ask them. So we bought this wedding ring. And as far as we are concerned Donald and I are married."

'CONTROL' OF RAW MATERIAL

According to the "Taoshimpo," the local Japanese newspaper, reported to be the official Army organ, says a message from Peiping, new regulations have been issued by the Japanese in North China to tighten the control of raw materials, cotton, flax, animal hair, hides, skins and furs and, a special Army unit of the Shimizu entrusted with the control will acquire materials at prices fixed by the Japanese Army and have the right to visit godowns, irrespective of nationality, including foreign concessions.

Raw materials, not considered war supplies, will be granted certificates permitting their removal.—Reuter.

TWO FAMOUS CANADIAN AIRMEN WERE RECEIVED BY HIS MAJESTY THE KING YESTERDAY AT BUCKINGHAM PALACE.

They were Air Vice-Marshal Bishop, V.C., and Air Commodore Walsh, Jr., command of the R.C.A.F. now in England.—Reuter.

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NIGHT OUT WITH THE NAVY: ON NIGHT RAID INTELLIGENCE PATROL

A BRANCH OF THE NAVY'S war effort about which little is known was last night exposed for the first time to civilian inspection, says Reuter's special correspondent with the Home Fleet.

"My first assignment as correspondent with the Home Fleet was to sail in one of the ships which carry out intelligence and anti-aeroplane work in the narrow waters over which German bombers fly in nightly attack on London and the South-Eastern area.

The vessel used was formerly a favourite excursion ship, but to-day she bristles with guns and searchlights and is manned by reservists representing all callings from farm labourers to a London stage manager.

"We left a South-Eastern port in the late afternoon, passing Dutch, French and British warships, and a great mass of merchant ships which still chug under convoy through the Straits of Dover like fast freight trains. Half an hour out came the warning: 'Hostile aircraft approaching.'

"The gun crews immediately jumped to it.

"A Heinkel passed over at about 10,000 feet, but it seemed more eager to try and get at one of the great R.A.F. aerodromes that dot the shore-line than to try conclusions with the ship's pom-pom guns for which, said the Captain, German airmen have a marked distaste.

Raid On French Coast

"A little further out we passed a concentration of British destroyers which, I was told, were probably preparing to raid the French coast—a not infrequent operation nowadays by British light forces, who like to since Hitler's wings now and then, much as Drake used to harry the Spanish coast 350 years ago.

"Surprise approach and the shelling of German-occupied coast—those are the tactics these light forces employ.

"It was dark, with a faintly glimmering moon when the distant humming proclaimed the approach of hostile aircraft.

"Eight thousand red seventy-eight" yelled the spotter, meaning that the raiders were 8,000 yards away on the port bow.

"The warning was echoed from the bridge all through the ship. The Captain ordered Action Stations and gun crews trained their weapons, while pattering feet over the deck told that every man was running to stand by.

Searchlight Cuts Sky

"The drone of the raiders was now quite close and searchlights suddenly cut through the night sky. They must have taken the raiders completely by surprise.

I could see one with the naked eye, scudding against the moon's wrack and the searchlights held him as he shot across our stern. Our pom-poms crashed out in deafening chorus, lighting up the whole ship with the flash of blue and white explosions.

"We did not hit him, but maybe we acted the part of beaters for another sportsman, for within a few minutes another plane approached the from the direction in which the raider had just disappeared and dropped recognition flares that showed he was British.

Stalking His Prey

"Even as the ship was firing, the British plane had been stalking its prey across the open sea aided perhaps by the flashes of our guns.

"The remainder of the night passed without action, other German aircraft staying very high, out of range.

"A special watch was kept all night for enemy mine-laying

aircraft, but none appeared and the vessel returned to harbour."—Reuter.

TO BE IN WAR CABINET?

The Prime Minister will be asked by Mr. E. Granville (L. Nat., Eye, Suffolk) if the voluntary Press censorship and administration of Defence Regulation No. 3 by the Ministry of Information, instead of the Service departments, now represents the considered policy of the War Cabinet; and whether the Minister of Information will be made a member of that body instead of merely attending their meetings.

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FIRED HAYSTACK, SAVED R.A.F. PILOT

A farmer sacrificed a can of petrol and a haystack to save an R.A.F. sergeant-pilot who was lost while flying in bad weather.

He fired the haystack, which enabled the airman to make a good landing on a field hitherto hidden by rain and mist.

While flying with other aircraft in a cross-country trip over Scotland some time ago, the pilot became separated from the others owing to the weather.

For a long time he flew in a circle vainly trying to get a glimpse of the ground through the mist.

When he was getting desperate, he noticed a red glow far beneath him. It spread and burst into a huge sheet of flame.

Farmer's Welcome

As the fire got bigger and brighter, the pilot joyfully saw that it was at the edge of a flat field, which it illuminated clearly.

He lost no time in landing. As he climbed out of the cockpit, a farmer ran forward to welcome him.

The farmer had heard a plane roaring round and round in the mist, and as aircraft are common in his district he had no hesitation in deciding that it was British and in trouble.

So he got the petrol, threw it on the haystack and set fire to it.

Farmer and pilot celebrated the occasion afterwards in suitable fashion.

GIVES HOPE FOR SON

A treasured possession of Mr. A. Breed, of Clivedale, Clifton Road, Sheffield, Beds, is a faded newspaper cutting reporting his death in action in the last war.

His wife received the letter from the War Office telling her that Mr. Breed was missing, believed killed. Ten days later he wrote to his wife assuring her he was well.

Now Mrs. Breed has received another War Office letter, stating that her son, Lance-Sergeant R. W. Breed, of the Oxford and Bucks, is missing.

Mr. and Mrs. Breed remembering the faded cutting still have hope.

GRAND DUCHESS FLYING TO NEW YORK

The Grand Duchess of Luxembourg will arrive in the United States on Friday by air, states an announcement issued in New York by Pan-American Airways.

Prince Consort Felix and their six children reached the United States in July aboard an American cruiser.—Reuter.

GLOOM SENTENCES CUT

Thirteen people convicted for statements likely to cause alarm or despondency have had their sentences altered by the Home Secretary.

Proceedings had been authorised in seventy-four cases up to the times of the Premier's statement in the House of Commons. About thirty have not yet been dealt with by the Courts.

Twelve cases involved sentences of imprisonment. In six of these sentences (from one to fourteen days) has expired.

In four cases there clearly appears, it is stated, some "evil wish or systematic purpose to weaken the national defence," and the Home Secretary has been unable to advise any remission.

In the case of Lance-Corporal A. E. Rice, sentenced on July 17 at Wincanton, Somerset, to one month's hard labour and a fine of £2, remission of the remainder of the sentence and the whole of the fine is recommended.

A. S. Collins, charged with Rice and fined £5, is to have £4 remitted.

Of the cases where only fines were imposed there are nine in which the Home Secretary has not been able to advise any interference, because either the case was a serious one or the fine was trifling. The fines in these cases varied from £30 to 10s.

Big Remissions

In eleven cases the Home Secretary has advised substantial remissions. These are:—

Name and Place	Fine Imposed	Reduced Fine
H. F. Bourne, Ashby-de-la-Zouche	£26 5s	£2
P. A. Brown, Leominster	£30	£5
M. Ellison, Preston	£40	£5
Frank Haddow and Standley Haddow, Mildenhall	£5 each	£1 each
H. R. N. Humphries, Launceston	£10	£2
J. G. Laing, Nottingham	£30, plus 14 days' hard labour	£10
H. S. Madin, Nottingham	£10, plus 7 days' hard labour	Nil
V. Muft, Huddersfield	£10	£2
W. T. Park, Tunbridge Wells	£25	£5
Rev. H. H. Williams, Wallasey	£10	£5

The Rev. Harold H. Williams, Vicar of Emanuel Church, New Brighton, was alleged to have told boys at sea training homes that the Germans mean to be masters of the world.

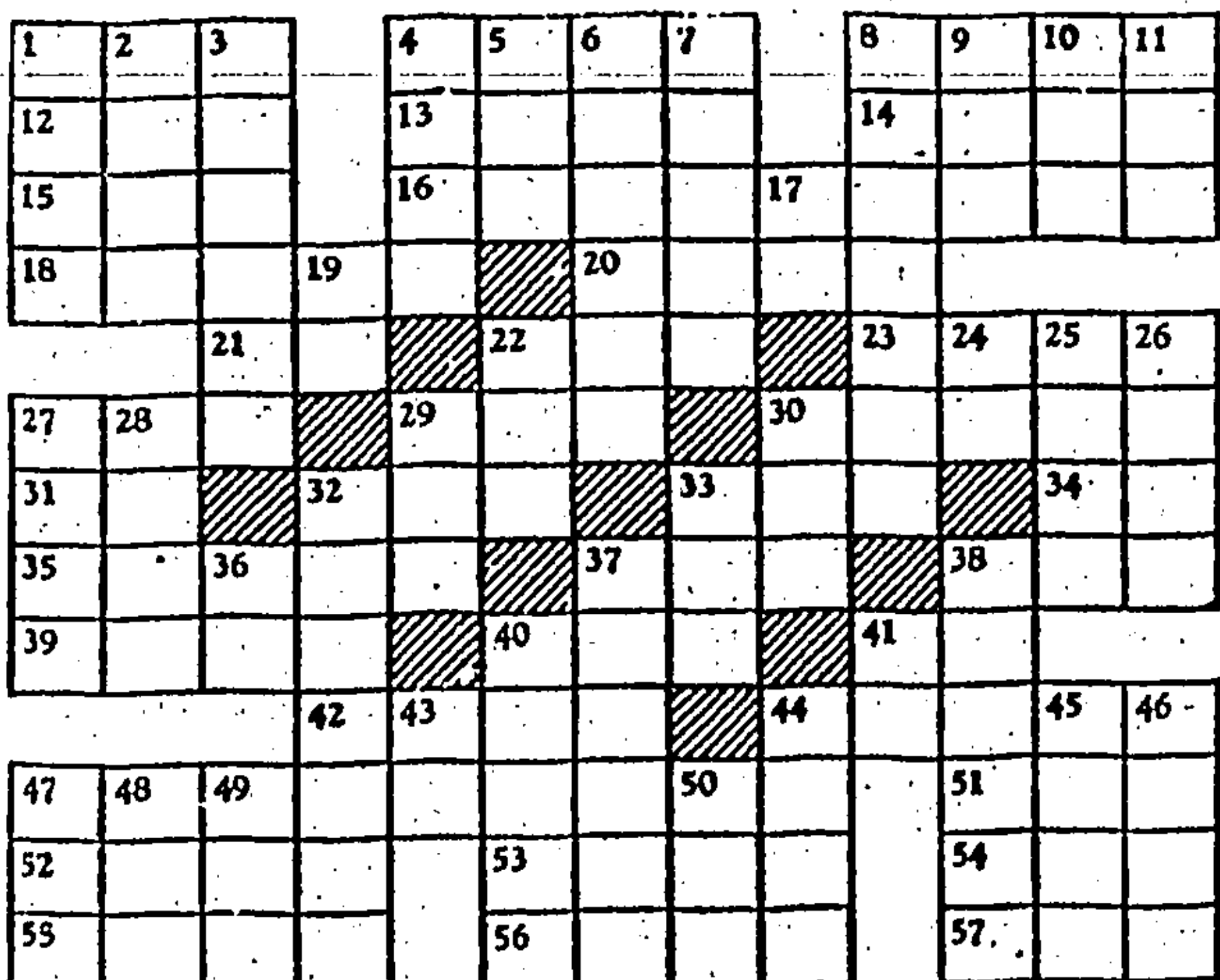
He pleaded not guilty, and said the boys must have misunderstood him. He was warning them against rumour and illustrated the danger.

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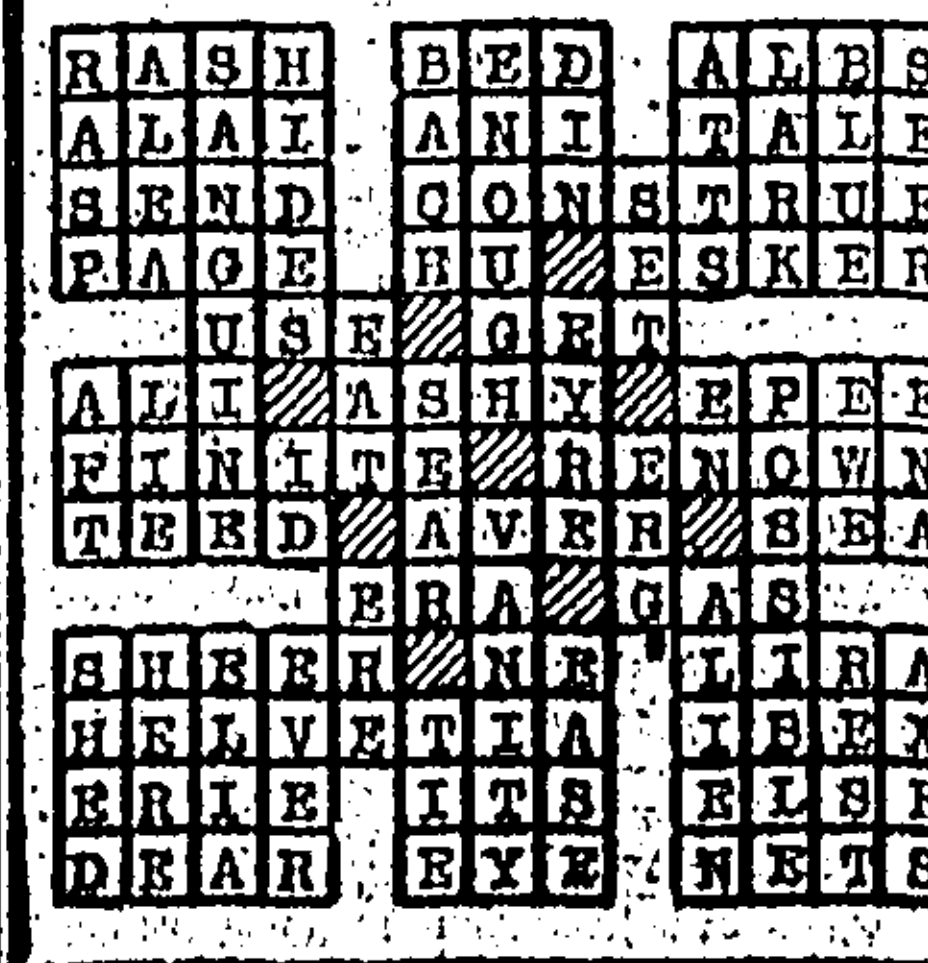


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 - 12 Bow
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 - 18 Roman household god
 - 20 Greek silver coin
 - 21 Symbol for copper
 - 22 Poem
 - 23 Fresh-water porpoise
 - 27 then
 - 29 Vegetable character
 - 30 Coral island
 - 31 Chinese measure
 - 32 Billiard stick
 - 33 Insect
 - 34 French article
 - 35 City in Ohio

- 37 English river
- 38 To employ
- 39 Part of leg
- 40 Insect
- 41 Preposition
- 42 To move rapidly
- 44 Glacial ridge
- 47 Having no harmful qualities
- 51 Anger
- 52 Observed
- 53 Disposition

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Soldiers Sang As Bombed Troopship Went Down

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STRUGGLING FOR FOOTHOLD ON THE SIDE OF A 16,000-TON BRITISH TROOPSHIP AS SHE LAY HALF-CAPSIZED AFTER A BOMB ATTACK, SCORES OF VETERANS OF THE AUXILIARY MILITARY PIONEER CORPS — THE "THIN RED LINE" — LAUGHED IN THE FACE OF DEATH AND WENT DOWN WITH THE SHIP, A SONG ON THEIR LIPS.

Smiling as he watched them stood an immaculate British officer, coolly smoking a cigarette. He could not swim. He went down with them.

As enemy planes circled over the sinking vessel, a soldier with a .45-calibre gun blazed away at them from the tilting deck until he was waist deep in water. He was swept away by the sea.

This valour was shown in the loss of the Lancastria, famous old Cunarder, sunk at anchor off St. Nazaire, in the Bay of Biscay, after taking aboard B.E.F. men, and women and child refugees from France.

Crammed in the liner were 5,000 troops and refugees, plus a crew of 300. There are 2,823 people missing. It was stated, the first time the full story was revealed.

Some of those missing may have been able to reach the shore. Eight enemy bombers attacked the liner, and some survivors believe the planes were Italian.

At first they missed. The soldiers were so tightly packed that they could not move. But they jeered at the enemy airmen.

But the machines came back and a salvo hit the Lancastria. She listed heavily, making it difficult to get the boats launched. Then she capsized and sank half an hour after being hit.

The discipline aboard the ship during that half-hour was perfect.

Machine-Gunned Them

The soldiers pressed back to form an alleyway for the women and children to reach the boats.

The came the order: "Every man for himself."

One of the crew said: "The sea was almost a solid mass of men clinging together like flies, covered with thick oil."

"There were women and children struggling for their lives, too. Yet those aeroplanes roared down and machine-gunned the people in the water."

"Some of the airmen seemed to be taking photographs of the terrible scene."

"Badly wounded men were floating in their life-jackets. Many of those life-jackets became empty."

"A Grand Lad"

A company sergeant-major of the Auxiliary Military Pioneer Corps said:

"I gave the order to man the hosepipes, for smoke was coming up the hatch. It was impossible to obey, because the troops were jammed so tight in the alleyways."

"Just then the ship gave a sudden lurch to port till she was listing at an angle of 45 degrees. We were thrown off our feet."

"From the bridge came the order: 'Every man for himself,' and I chucked hatchboards over the side to act as rafts when we got into the water. By this time the ship was beginning to sink and her propellers were high out of the sea."

"Forward was a soldier with a Bren gun, rattling away with all he had got. He stuck it even when the water was up to his waist. His gun was silenced only when he was washed away from it. A grand lad. I hope he was saved."

"Just before the ship capsized and went down, some of our men — we call ourselves 'The Thin Red Line' — scrambled on to her uppermost side."

"There they stood, knowing that they had no chance. They went down like brave men, singing 'Roll Out the Barrel.'"

"After three-quarters of an hour, I was picked up by one of the Lancastria's lifeboats, crowded down to the waterline with survivors. Then a warship took up aboard."

"Some of us had not a stitch

on. Many of us were covered in filthy oil. The sailors clothed us."

Threw Her Baby

As two of the boats were dropping down the towering side of the Lancastria, they capsized. One had about 120 people on board, including two Frenchwomen and two children, aged about five. They were flung into the water.

One woman flung her baby into the water and dived in after it. She was a strong swimmer, and after picking up the child she made off to one of the lifeboats.

In the stokehold had been a Pioneer Corps C.Q.M.S., who dashed to the side of a French woman and her eight-year-old child.

"I helped them up the stairs," he said, "but it was a terrible job. Steam was pouring down on us and we had to hold handkerchiefs to our faces to save them from being burned."

"I got the mother and child into a lifeboat and then was forced in myself."

He added: "The heroism of two officers is something I shan't forget. One was the sixty-nine-year-old Town Major of Dieppe, Colonel Tramlin."

Calmly Waited

"He stood apart from the men hurrying to leave the ship. He could not swim and so he lit a cigarette and calmly awaited death."

Signalman J. McMylor, of the Royal Corps of Signals, said: "As the ship sank by the bows, men were clinging to the propeller, singing 'Roll Out the Barrel.' The boat I was in tried to get to them, but it could not get there before the propeller disappeared."

"I was two yards from the hatch when the explosion occurred, and was knocked to the deck," said Lieutenant R. Haynes, of the A.M.P.C. "As I lay there waiting for the debris to fall I began to pray."

"It must have been only seconds, but it seemed like ages, and I prayed like hell."

"Then I felt a blow on the back. A rifle had hit me. I was glad it was not a Bren gun."

Two Church Army sisters, who were put aboard the Lancastria after being bombed in a lorry dash to the coast, said:

"We got into a lifeboat, and as we moved away from the ship's side soldiers looking through a porthole saw we were wearing lifebelts."

Pilot Captured

"They shouted 'Give us a chance,' and we took off the belts and flung them into the sea. The soldiers jumped in after them."

"R.A.F. planes which sped to the scene dropped lifebelts among the struggling soldiers."

One soldier who had been blinded by the force of the first explosion was led along to the ship's hospital. Just as the doctor was attending to him a second bomb exploded, killing all those in the hospital, including the doctor.

A soldier swam to a boat with a young girl whose legs had been broken. She died on a rescue ship.

One Belgian mother, who had walked half across France, was reunited with her three children in a rescue boat after being three hours in the water.

The captain, Commander Sharpe, of Wallasey, Cheshire, was saved.

It is believed that a plane shot down later by a British vessel was one of those which bombed the liner. The pilot was captured.



Kay Francis, appearing as Deanna Durbin's mother in Universal's "It's a Date," coming to-morrow to the King's Theatre.

AIRMAN BURIED AS SON BORN

A flight-sergeant in the R.A.F. and his wife were looking forward to the birth of their baby, due to arrive on the first anniversary of their wedding.

But baby was late. He was born on the day of his father's funeral.

The parents of the baby were Flight-Sergeant Instructor Roy Nelson and Mrs. Leila Nelson, aged twenty-two, of Trafalgar Terrace, Darlington.

By a coincidence, Mrs. Nelson's father died the same day. Mrs. Nelson told a reporter: "My husband was looking forward so much to having a son. In his last letter he sent a kiss from 'Daddy to baby.'"

"He always seemed to be sure we would have a boy. He even chose the name for him. Brian Lewis. Now I am going to add my husband's name, so baby will be christened Brian Roy Lewis."

"He will be christened in St. Matthew's Church, Darlington, the church where we were married, and where my husband's and my father's funeral services were held."

"The same vicar, the Rev. O. H. Beaglehole, had conducted all the services, and he will christen the baby."

OBJECTOR'S B.B.C. POST

Charles Frederick William Chilton, described as an assistant producer at the B.B.C., of Queen Alexandra Mansions, Judd Street, London, unsuccessfully applied at the London Conscientious Objectors' Tribunal for exemption from the combatant forces.

He asked to be enrolled in the R.A.M.C. or naval medical service saying he had had first-aid training.

The chairman (Judge Hargreaves) said Chilton's views were not so much those of a conscientious objector as a lack of faith in war being able to do any good. His name would be removed from the register. Chilton said he would appeal.

WOMAN DEAD, MAN STARVING

A man was taken to hospital in a weak condition, believed to be due to lack of food after his sister had been found dead in bed.

The woman was Dorothy May Keene, a splinter, aged forty-two, of T. M. Avenue, Shirley, Southampton.

When a friend called, the brother, Leslie Owen Keene, aged thirty-eight, asked him to see if he could "wake up" his sister. The sister found Miss Keene dead.

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THE REAL WAR

There is one attribute of the British people which Hitler has judged with approximate accuracy. We are not a naturally belligerent people. We have enjoyed so great a measure of freedom in our way of thinking and living that we are apt to take a benevolent view of the outside world with which we have wished to remain in peace and friendship.

It may be difficult even in wartime to rid ourselves entirely of this tendency. We are well aware that every Briton worth the name detests Nazism as a loathsome tyrannous conception. We are resolved to fight it until either the Nazis or we are extinguished. There is no middle course.

And yet when invasion is threatened and does not immediately take place we are inclined as a people—and this excludes the Fighting Forces—to get off our toes and relax: to allow secondary matters to take possession of our thoughts.

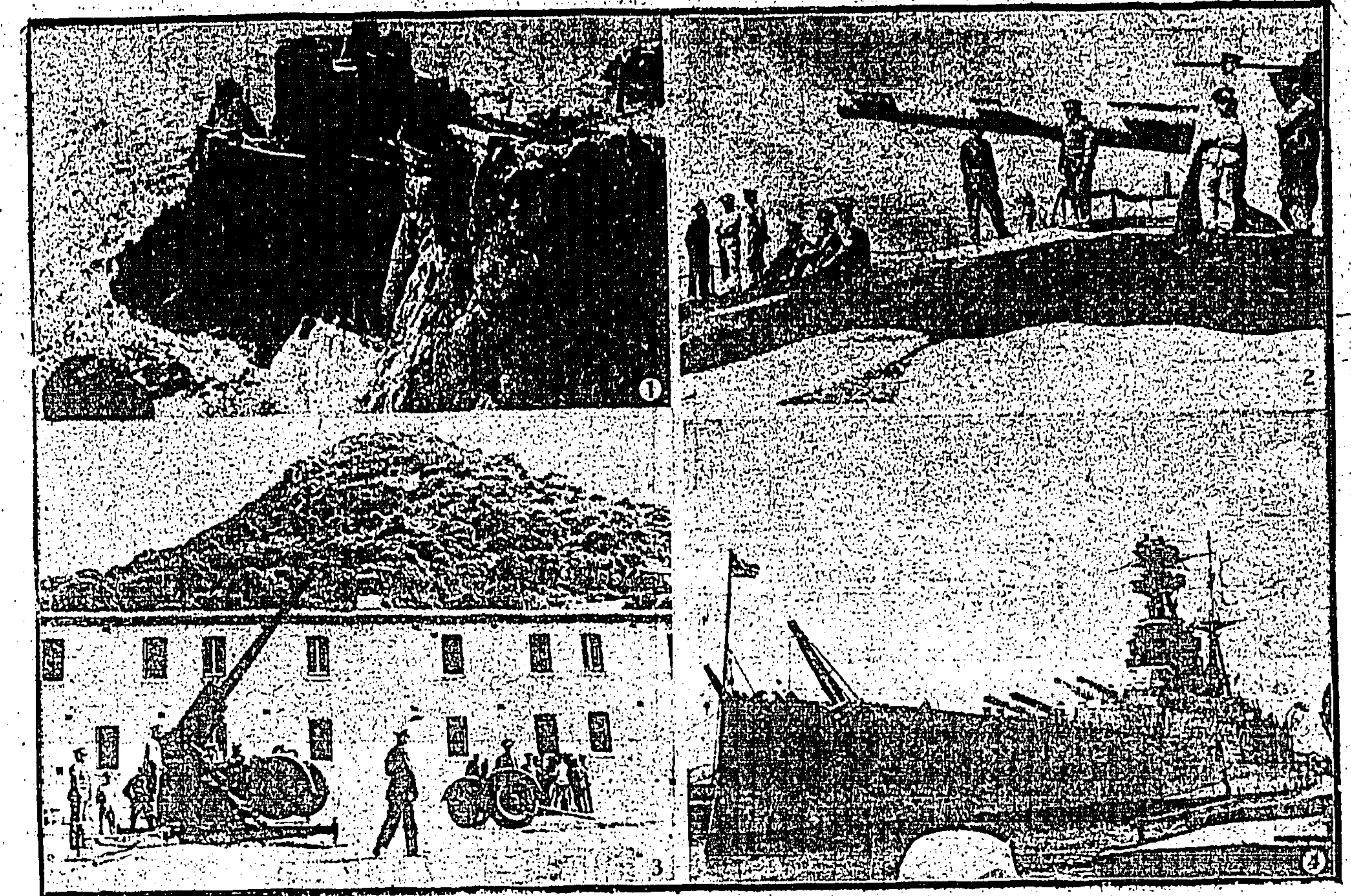
It may be typical of our race, but it is also dangerous. The Prime Minister has found it necessary to repeat to the nation that invasion, which seemed so near when France collapsed, is not less likely today.

The brilliant successes of the R.A.F. against mass enemy air attacks may have again induced a fatal mood of relaxation. It should be dispelled by the recent words of the Secretary for War. Mr. Eden reminded the country that for us the real war has hardly begun. It will begin when we have resisted and destroyed the enemy attempts to invade us, when we have built an expeditionary force of a strength and striking power sufficient to roll back the enemy from the lands he has violated.

A RIDDLE FOR NAZIS

Even the good Nazi—that is, the purblind fanatic who gives the credence of the slave mind to everything handed out to him by Goebbels—must have a faint glimmering of suspicion that all is not well with the German Air Force.

It is doubtful if he has enough of independent thinking left to tot up the scores of British aircraft which Goebbels destroys. But the effect of these fantastic figures may be to cause him to wonder how it is that since the



No. 1. A corner of Gibraltar, our Mediterranean stronghold.
No. 2. Men of the British Army ready to man a big gun at Gibraltar.
No. 3. One of the 3.7 anti-aircraft guns on guard.
No. 4. H.M.S. "Ramillies", one of the battleships of the Mediterranean Fleet, in dock at Gibraltar.

Key To The Mediterranean

Gibraltar, Britain's Naval Key to the Western Mediterranean, has recently been subjected to bombing attacks which its anti-aircraft defences repelled successfully. With the same success British guns on Gibraltar have fired on enemy fleets during the last two hundred years.

A natural fortress, rising sheer from the sea on three sides to a height of over 1,400 feet, it is practically inaccessible except on its more gradual western slope which is protected by the defences of the Town, Dockyards and Harbour. Above these are nine-inch guns, (as shown in Picture 2) overlooking Algeiras Bay towards Tarifa, where the Moors first landed in the eighth century. The Moors attacked and captured "Calpe," as it was then called, from the land side under Tarik, who named it "Gibei Tarik" (Tarik's Hill) which has become "Gibraltar."

But if any would-be aggressor thinks he can capture the "Rock" today from the sandy isthmus

British Air Force has been swept from the skies—just as the Royal Navy, as every Nazi knows, has been driven from the oceans—"those devils of the R.A.F." as an exasperated German officer called them, persist in doing such damage every night to military objectives in Germany and the occupied countries.

If the British Air Force is beaten how can it continue to function with such destructive effect? Here is a riddle which will tax the mental agility of the unscrupulous Goebbels. Not all the miracles of multiplication which his accountants perform on the losses of our aircraft nor their equally marvellous division of the German machines tumbled out of the skies by our airmen can answer this irritating question. The good Nazi must be beating his head.

leading from the custom's barrier at La Linea along the causeway to the "North Front" he would get a rude surprise. For this only level part of the whole promontory is the most highly defended of all, lying as it does under the fire of batteries cunningly hidden in the steep cliffs above, where the famous "Galleries" were cut through the rock during the "Great Siege" of 1779 to 1783, and still afford excellent cover and air-raid protection. Here also are the rain-water catchways and storage tanks, so that there is no danger of water shortage even in the event of a modern siege.

The entire "Rock" now bristles with coastal batteries, (Picture 1) which have been built—or converted from old forts—on every rocky point and corner of the promontory. Any attacking fleet would have to run the gauntlet of formidable coastal batteries before reaching the Inner Harbour.

The invincibility of Gibraltar has been proved throughout its history, although it surrendered during the war of the Spanish Succession to the combined English and Dutch fleets under Sir George Rooke and the Prince of Hesse-Darmstadt in 1704. It was finally ceded to Great Britain by the Treaty of Utrecht in 1713. Since then covetous eyes have frequently been cast at Gibraltar, and attempts have been made to take it by arms or diplomacy. The elder Pitt is said to have contemplated exchanging it for Florida or Puerto Rico, but popular feeling was too strong to allow it.

During the Napoleonic Wars it was invaluable as a Naval base, with its Dockyards affording repairs and supplies to the Fleet, and it was to Gibraltar that the body of Lord Nelson was brought after his death and victory at Trafalgar. To this day the room may be seen where he lay in the eighteenth century house by Ross Bay. The guns of many famous British sea Captains and Admirals have been heard from Gibraltar—Drake, Howard of Effingham, Blake, Howe, Rooke and many more.

Economically Gibraltar is somewhat hard-hit, as her main revenue is derived from port and harbour dues, Crown rents, and duties on tobacco and alcohol imported for home consumption. As this is, of course, largely curtailed, Gibraltar is now just a fortress, with the defence of the "Rock" overshadowing all other considerations. It was, however, one of the ports for contraband trade, and all ships passing in and out of the Western Mediterranean had to call there.

It is not proceeded by the British Fleet supplies might be difficult in war-time as a fresh fruit, meat and vegetables are imported either from Spain or

Morocco, for the "Rock" itself is too small and barren to be cultivated, although it has luxuriant vegetation in places.

The climate is sub-tropical, the heat in summer and when the East wind or "Levanter" blows being oppressive and damp. But the spring, winter and autumn are delightful, in spite of a heavy rainfall, and thanks to the sanitary improvements of the last fifty years the death rate stands comparison with that of England.

Of limestone formation, the "Rock" is rich in natural defences such as cave and tunnels, in which the fossils of many mammals have been discovered, the "Rock Apes" being said to have come by an underground tunnel from Africa. Although the soil is of a rocky nature (as seen in Picture 3) it abounds with wild

flowers, ferns and shrubs—one plant, the "Iberis" being peculiar to Gibraltar—while palm-trees, monkey-trees and other sub-tropical vegetation flourish in the Alameda Gardens, and in a few squares and streets. The streets themselves are well-known for their highly-coloured shop-fronts, chiefly Indian bazaars, with a few old Spanish curio shops full of dusty treasures.

Such is Gibraltar, the Western gateway to the Mediterranean, first traded with by the Phoenicians, Carthaginians and Greeks, then colonised by the Romans, captured by the Moors, re-taken by the Spaniards under Ferdinand and Isabella of Spain, surrendered to Britain in 1704, who has since held it to guard the Straits of Gibraltar in peace and war, as a bulwark to defend her Empire.

Child Evacuees Thrive

The half million children moved from danger zones under the British Government scheme are thriving on the minor revolution which evacuation has brought into their lives. Every report made by the education authorities or by officials of the Ministry of Health emphasises the same thing: "an amazing improvement in health all round."

The mass exodus has done more than place the children in safer areas. It is broadening their outlook in a way which would have

been impossible under peace conditions. It is introducing them to the countryside, to new people, new ways of living, new ideas, new customs. Though not of the best book kind, this is education, education of a very valuable kind. Most of these children were from towns—some of them did not know what an egg looked like.

Now they are learning the infinite delights of spring and summer woods, of the meadows and sweet-smelling hayfields. Their new country friends are teaching them country ways and customs, always to close a gate after you so that the "stock" will not wander; not to trample on the crops because damage to them means wasted food. For the first time in their lives they are learning, and just how much every community owes to the land and the farmers.

All these lessons they have shown themselves quick to learn. The half million children moved from danger zones under the British Government scheme are thriving on the minor revolution which evacuation has brought into their lives. Every report made by the education authorities or by officials of the Ministry of Health emphasises the same thing: "an amazing improvement in health all round."

For the English town child is adaptable and takes a keen interest in every activity.

They are helping with the harvest, have learned to milk cows, churn butter, feed animals, ride the farm horses. They are helping to dig potatoes and gather in the fruit crops. They pull sugar beet, gather acorns for fodder and gather, wash and grade the eggs for market. Where there are rivers or lakes many have learned to fish, to manage sailing boats and rowing boats.

Frequently they run allotments. One school took over ½-acre of rough land and in the first season produced enough vegetables to feed everybody. The same school got hold of a barn where the boys saw logs and do carpentry, while the girls have a class where they mend and make clothes, knit socks and jumpers and mend their own stockings and the boys' socks. They made the uniforms for the entire company of their own girl guides.

In their turn the town children and their teachers have brought a new stimulus into the village life. London schools, for instance, have the advantages of highly trained teachers and in some cases equipment which the country school would not have at its disposal.

The use of films is a notable example. Town schools are generally ahead of village schools in using the good supply of films available on many subjects, and 120 projectors have gone out with evacuated London schools and over 3,500 films have been sent out from the films library—about 300 a week. A London teacher using them for his class has often made the country teacher realise what he has been missing.

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PREPARED--THEY BEAT BOMB

MORE THAN 100 incendiary bombs were dropped on a town in South-East Scotland—and in every case where householders had sand and extinguishing apparatus handy the bombs were made harmless before they could do much damage.

In other cases damage to rooms was considerable, although only one house was made uninhabitable. Housewives had a poor opinion of the bombs. "They would make very poor firelighters," one said.

A hero of the raid was Mr. Duncan Stewart, who, although without A.R.P. training, averted serious damage to one tenement and probably saved the life of a neighbour by following instructions he had read in newspapers.

Slept Through It

Mr. Stewart had dealt with an incendiary bomb in the street when he was told that there was a light on the roof of the building in which he lived.

Obtaining a bucket of sand, he climbed into the rafters and dealt with that one. His neighbour slept throughout the incident.

Prompt action by a nineteen-year-old youth prevented damage to property when an incendiary bomb fell into the garden of a house during an East of England air raid recently.

The youth was Edwin Hannath, and three hours after dealing with the bomb he left home to join the Navy.

Bomb Rolled

Mrs. Hannath said: "He was standing near our air raid shelter when a bomb rolled under a bay window."

"Edwin leaped over the sill and started to put out the flames. I was in the Anderson shelter with ten children and not one of us was hurt."

GERMANY WON'T FREE PRISONERS

A plea for the release of French prisoners of war in Germany is described by Germany as "unprecedented impertinence."

An official announcement states: "The French people seem to have utterly misunderstood the manner in which Germany has been treating the French people. They seem to have forgotten that after the World War it took years and not weeks before France began releasing German prisoners."

"They should remember this before making inopportune demands in the midst of war,"—Reuter.

MAID KISSED BY NAZI FLYER

A GERMAN AIRMAN of eighteen landed by parachute—and kissed a maid's hand. This is how it happened.

The raid was over a south-western district. The maid, Mavis Young, nineteen, was sheltering in a dug-out when she remembered that she had left a gas-iron on. Ignoring machine-gun fire and explosions, she left the shelter to turn off the iron. Then the airman landed almost beside her.

He was one of a bomber crew of four. One was killed and the others taken prisoner.

Mrs. le Bailly, wife of Major R. E. le Bailly, said: "I had told Mavis and her brother Roy, the gardener's boy, that they had better go into the shelter and then I went indoors to tell my husband."

"As I came out I saw the airman come down almost on the sundial, outside the dining-room window."

"The maid and the boy followed me as I approached the airman."

"He was shaken. He was only about eighteen, and a good-looking boy."

"My maid and the gardener's boy helped to prop him up against the wall, and I sent the maid for some whisky."

Very Grateful

"She brought it and gave it to the airman. He could not drink at first, but Mavis put her hand behind his head and forced the whisky down his throat."

"He said 'Thank you,' and took hold of her hand and kissed it."

"He really was very grateful. Mr. Weston, the schoolmaster—the school is opposite us—took charge of him. I telephoned the police and told them what had happened."

"Mavis belongs to the district. She is nineteen, and a very sensible girl. She was not unduly excited at the experience."

Captain F. E. B. Gulse, platoon commander in the Home Guard, said he and his men saw the bomber coming down with the

starboard engine shot away.

Four men leaped from the plane. The parachutes of three opened. The fourth, however, dropped like a stone. His body was found later.

One of the airmen, said Captain Gulse, came down in a field near a bridge, and he was arrested by one of the Home Guard.

In Hell Of A State

The airman was very shaky, and the Home Guard helped the man take off his parachute harness. "He was in a hell of a state," said Captain Gulse, "and evidently believed he was going to be 'bumped off'."

"When my man gave him a cigarette, however, he cheered up wonderfully."

"Another airman," said Captain Gulse, "came down practically on top of the houses of one of our section commanders. He was not noticed, however, until six of our men came upon his parachute."

"Captain G. Butler, our company commander, looked through the hedge and saw a track leading through the wheat."

"He at once said 'Let's take a look at this,' and in a few yards or so another airman, a mere boy like the rest, came out from behind a hedge and put his hands up."

"He seemed very frightened—he was about seventeen or eighteen. I think the Germans must have told their people that we ill-treat or killed our prisoners—but he soon cheered up, too, when we gave him a cigarette."

THIS BED WILL BE A BLOW

Invention of an air-conditioned bed with a dial which enables the occupant to fill it with hot or cold breezes is announced in U.S.A.

A sleeper reluctant to leave the bed in the morning can be forced out by turning the dial to freezing. Icy air will then sweep through the bed, causing the occupant to leap out to avoid being frozen.

CHATTER CAUSE OF MURDER BID

THE PROSECUTING SOLICITOR IN A CASE OF ALLEGED ATTEMPTED MURDER AT STOCKTON-ON-TEES SAID OF CHATTERBUGS WHO TOLD THE ACCUSED WOMAN WHAT WOULD HAPPEN WHEN THE GERMANS ARRIVED:—

"These women would be dealt with if only we could get hold of them and bring them to this court."

Before the Court was Rose Wood, thirty-five, of Swainby Road, Stockton, who was sent for trial accused of the attempted murder of her three children by coal gas poisoning.

Prosecuting, Mr. T. Jackson described it as a pathetic and distressing case. He said: "It appears this woman has been in a very neurotic and nervous state, and there have been certain chatterbugs telling her what would happen when the Germans arrived."

HIGH ENGLISH MORALE IN AIR RAIDS

THE SUPERB CONFIDENCE and cheerfulness of people at home were continually stressed by Dr. Winifred C. Cullis in an interview in Shanghai this week. Dr. Cullis, an eminent English physiological professor, is at present in Shanghai on a tour of the Far East for the Ministry of Information. She has come to lecture on the valuable work being done by women at home, and to tell of some general aspects of life in England.

Professor Cullis, who travelled extensively through England before leaving five weeks ago, was everywhere struck by the "rock-like" confidence of the people in the face of danger.

"The more trouble that comes, the higher the spirit of the people seems to rise," she said. "The moral at home is unbreakable, and everywhere, despite the many tragedies that are occurring, the atmosphere is one of cheerfulness."

In the course of the interview she gave many examples of the courage and fortitude with which England is facing the present crisis, no doubt being expressed that Britain will eventually come out on top.

Dr. Cullis told of the surprise she felt when in America of the lack of belief in British confidence, and ability to hold out. The attitude of the Americans seemed to be, she said, that what news came out of England on the course of the war was minimised as much as possible, the result being that American newspapers grossly exaggerated small incidents.

On one occasion, she said, she was talking to a young American, who seemed sceptical of the small damage being done in the air raids. He showed her a headline in one paper, reading, "English City Devastated by Aerial Bombs."

She made the young man read the opening paragraphs of the story, and it came out that what had really happened was that a row of eight slum cottages had been knocked down, with the loss of two lives.

Air Ministry Figures Accurate

One point that Dr. Cullis emphasised was that Air Ministry figures for the result of aerial battles with the Nazis are absolutely accurate. In America, she said, the general opinion was that they are more accurate than the German estimates, but she dismissed this as ridiculous, as there can be no doubt of the authenticity of the figures. A friend of hers in England, who saw one of the earlier mass raids on a coastal town, described it as a "game of skittles" once the British fighters came on the scene. German planes were shot down one after another, with few British losses.

The individual superiority of British pilots is unquestionable, she said, and once parity with the Nazis in actual numbers of planes is established, this will become even more apparent. Dr. Cullis recalled talking to an R.A.F. pilot about the poor aim of the German bombers. The pilot ascribed this to lack of training in navigation. R.A.F. men received a long training course, with considerable opportunities for practice, whereas the German pilots are quickly put into the air with little practice, due to the shortage of gasoline in Germany. Once, she said, she was in Cardiff, and went through four air raids in a day and night. On the next morning, a German communique announced that Bristol had been heavily bombed, and large portions of the city wiped out.

R.A.F. Tactics

The organisation of R.A.F. tactics has been brought to a very high degree. Methods of dealing with enemy aircraft so as to cause the minimum of damage to areas below the raiders have been worked out, and are successfully put into operation time and time again. An example of this was given by the Professor. While in a town in Scotland an air raid warning was given, and R.A.F. fighters went up. The German bomber, which was out at sea attacking some trawlers, on which she dropped all her bombs, was driven inland by a number of Spitfires. Two other Spitfires were

seen streaking out to sea again, apparently in the wrong direction. The plan, however, soon came to light, as when the bomber again turned for home, she was intercepted and brought down by these two fighters.

The attitude of people at home is one of calmness and cheerfulness, she said, little viciousness being shown at the time she left. Among those returning from the Dunkirk evacuation, however, there was a spirit of venom.

Stories told by some of these men indicated the ruthlessness of the German methods in Europe. It was a frequent sight to see German tanks passing over wounded and helpless refugees.

Invaluable Work

The work of women in the present conflict is invaluable, stated Dr. Cullis. The women's Volunteer Service, which has a membership of 600,000, with only 57 paid officials, does extremely useful work in connection with the forces, such as nursing and catering. Another extremely useful side of women's activities, and one seldom mentioned, is the service women who receive evacuated children are performing. Often over-worked, and with large families, these women are undertaking their task without complaint. The contact between town children and country children is valuable to both, and a greater understanding is coming about between the two classes.

PRISONER GETS A DIVORCE

NOW A PRISONER OF WAR, MAJOR HORACE KENYON HARDCASTLE, A LONDON SOLICITOR, WAS GRANTED A DECREE NISI BY MR. JUSTICE BUCKNILL IN THE DIVORCE COURT.

His evidence, which had been taken on affidavit before he went to France, was read to the Court.

Major Hardcastle charged his wife, Muriel Mary Helen Hardcastle, with adultery with the co-respondent, Mr. Henry Booker, and the petition was not contested.

HANG IT UP

A seaman, thrown into the water when the Lancastria went down, found himself near a soldier who was still wearing his tin hat, and the following "conversation" followed:

Soldier: "Can you swim, mate?"

Sailor: "No, can you?"

"No. (Brief pause.) What shall I do with my tin hat?"

"Get rid of it."

"How?"

"Hang it up."

LESSON FOR ITALY

Admiral Cunningham's bombardment of the Italian concentration on the Libyan frontier was a useful reminder of the influence that the Navy can exert on any land operations along the North African littoral.

If the Admiral maintains his pressure on the Italian troops, as he certainly may be expected to do, Marshal Graziani will find himself compelled to call the Italian Fleet to his help—and no move could be more desirable from our point of view.

After all that the Italians have been told by Mussolini about the ability of his Air Force to deny all movements by the British fleet in the Mediterranean, Admiral Cunningham's undisturbed bombardment of the Fort Capuzzo positions will require a good deal of explanation.

Marshal Graziani must be coming to realise that unless the British Mediterranean Fleet can be nullified it will harass his flanks from the sea continuously during any attempt he makes to advance along the coastal road in the direction of Alexandria. Yet on his other flank the desert makes escape from the sea menace impossible.

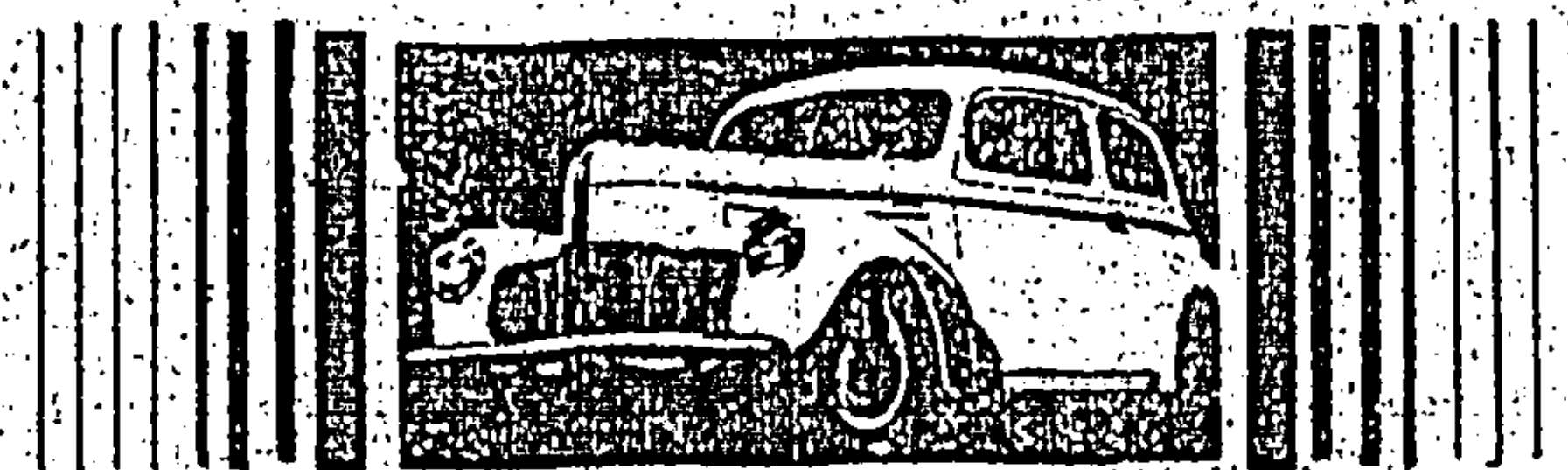


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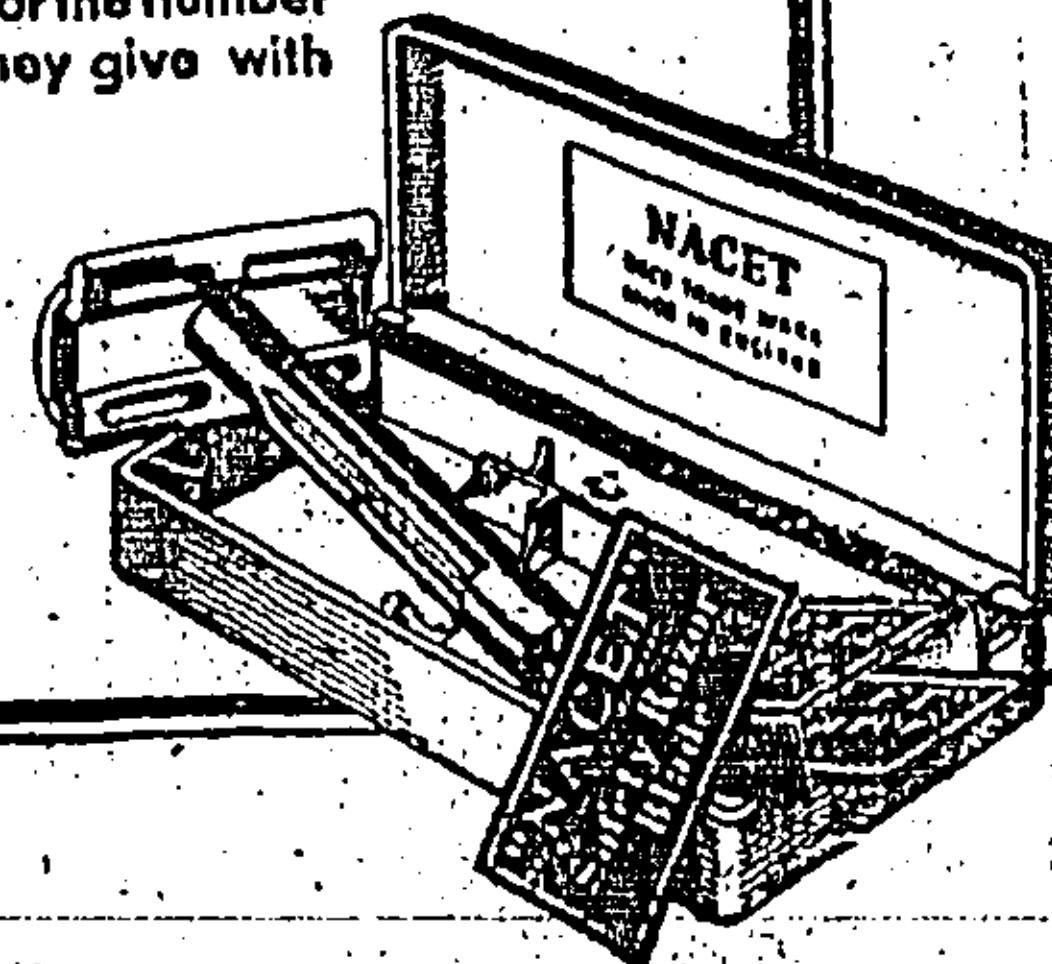
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The Secretary's Office, 1st floor, Exchange Building, (Tel. 27794) will close at 11.45 a.m. on both days.

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Hong Kong, 30th September, 1940

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Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

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(By The Four Aces)

CRIME DOESN'T PAY! — NO. 12
It's easy to spot the criminal this time, for obviously if any, he went wrong South was to blame. But can you spot his crime?

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Neither side vulnerable
K Q 8 4
A 5
J 9 5
K 7 6 3
A 9 5
K 10 7
4 3
10 7 4
8 4
N
W E
S
J 6 2
9 8 6 2
A K Q 2
A Q

The bidding:
South West North East
10 Pass 1A Pass
1NT Pass 3NT Pass
Pass

West opened the four of hearts, dummy ducked, and East won with the Jack. The Queen of hearts then knocked out dummy's Ace, and South ran four diamonds and cashed the Ace and Queen of clubs. Then he led a spade, but West hopped up with the spade Ace and ran the rest of his hearts to defeat the contract.

Where did South slip? Decide for yourself before reading on.

South slipped at the very first trick; he should have won with the heart Ace at once! If the hearts were 4-3, they were not dangerous; if they were 5-2, East had two blank honours. That was evident, for otherwise West's suit was headed by three honours — in which case the opening lead would have been an honour.

By winning the first trick, South would have blocked the suit. When West eventually got the spade Ace, he could lead a low heart but East would win and be unable to continue; or West could lead the heart King and ten, but then South's nine would stop the suit.

Yesterday you were Oswald Jacoby's partner; and, win neither side vulnerable, you held:

K Q 8 4
A 5
J 9 5
K 7 6 3
The bidding:
Jacoby Muller You Schenken
10 Pass 1A Pass
1NT Pass (?)

ANSWER: Bid three no-trump. Your hand, opposite an opening bid, should produce a game. You must bid it yourself, since your partner's weak rebid indicates he may be unable to accept a mere invitation.

Score 100% for three no-trump, 60% for three clubs, 50% for two no-trump.

QUESTION NO. 531

To-day you are David Bruce Burnstone's partner and, non-vulnerable against vulnerable opponents, you hold:

6 3 2
A 8
8 7 4
A 6 5 4 2

The bidding:
Burnstone Jacoby You Schenken
1A 20 (?)

What do you bid? (Answer tomorrow.)

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YOU'VE GOT TO TACKLE THIS, ADOLF

A BRITISH SOLDIER, furiously cycling into a lonely farmyard with a message that enemy parachutists had landed two or three miles away, sent powerful defence forces into action in the Southern Coastal Defence area.

A shouted order from somewhere in the farmyard brought men of the Black Watch running to their action stations (writes a special correspondent), and in a few minutes a long line of armed cyclists sped down roads towards the objective.

An airfield was supposed to be in enemy hands, and the cyclist's message and swift movement that followed were part of the constant practice of defence.

For more than an hour a strange, bloodless warfare clattered among the quiet hills.

Bren Gun carriers dashed noisily behind the cyclists. Big buses crept out of camouflaged chollers and roared away, crammed with men. Beside a railway cutting a mile away khaki figures loped along in Indian file and vanished stealthily into a wood.

The enemy had posted men along the road skirting the airfield. Two of them lay in the hedge with rifles ready. They were sturdy Scots.

The flat acres of this pretended airfield had put forth a fantastic crop of broken-down cars and lorries.

Secret Devices

Among them, the Bren carriers, advancing from two directions, quartered the ground like questing terriers. Two strong forces of the Black Watch suddenly emerged.

STUDENT CANNOT KNEEL: GETS £1,100

Donald Mozart Thomas Richards, a divinity student at Swansea University College, was awarded £1,100 damages at Swansea Assizes for injuries received in a road accident.

His injuries, it was stated, prevented him from kneeling, and he would be unable to enter the Church.

TWINS SERVE TOGETHER IN ARMY

Mr. Ernest Bevin, Minister of Labour, announced in the House of Commons that twins would, if possible, be called up in the same unit if they notified their wish beforehand and there was no material difference in qualification and medical categories.

The same would apply to triplets.

OFF THE RECORD

By ED REED.



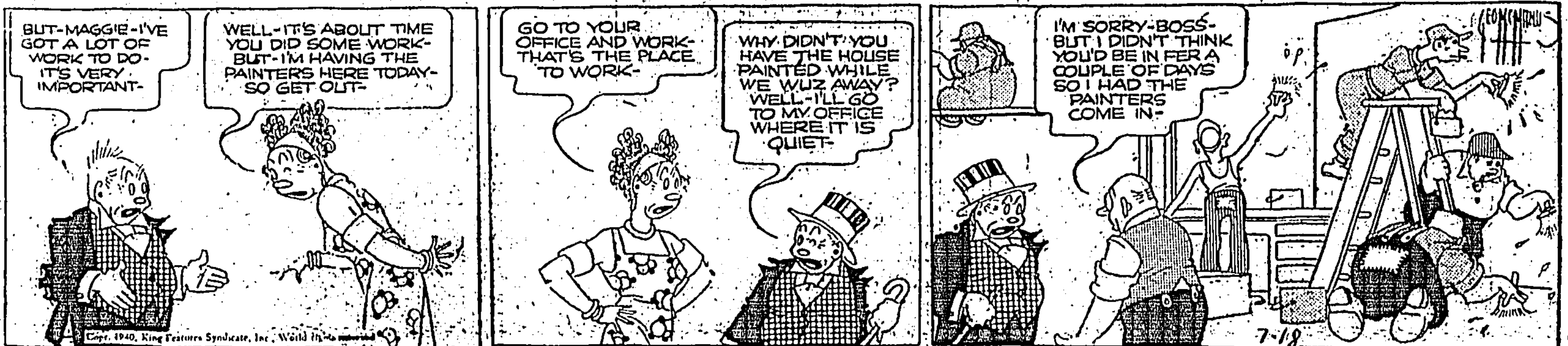
"You gotta quit trying to sneak nylon stockings in with my coal billet!"

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Bringing Up Father



A PAGE FOR WOMEN Good Speech

It is possible to have good speech and to speak with charm if one truly desires to correct unlovely speech habits. You must first study yourself and listen to yourself speak. Then you should listen long to a person who speaks very well — enunciates clearly, rhythmically, uses correct grammar, and has something to say! Use that person as a model and improve your voice and delivery.

In a new book, "Sing Your Way to Better Speech," Miss Gertrude Walsh stresses the importance of good posture. She writes: "There is a close relation between a flexibly erect posture and good speech. It is impossible to produce a full rich tone when your body is rigid or when you slump in the chest, or at the waistline. Your chest should always be held easily up and forward, as this helps to establish right conditions for the incoming breath, the very substance of which voice is made."

"Then, too, this posture suggests health and mental alertness, whereas slumps, either at the waistline or chest, may indicate indifference, carelessness, or illness. If you establish a line of balance in your body, keep your back straight, and your chest up and forward, your vital organs will have more space for correct functioning and a vacuum will be created for incoming breath. Such conditions, combined with freedom of the muscles around the throat, chest and shoulders, are basic for good voice and speech."

How To Breathe Correctly

Once you have mastered good posture and attain it when you sit, walk, stand or dance, you should learn to breathe correctly, so the words you speak will come out of your mouth in full, rich tones, nicely spaced and adding to your poise. If you find your words stumbling out one after the other in a gibberish manner you might try to memorise these suggestions:

As you breathe, enjoy the sensation that comes with the inflation of the torso.

Do not try to take too much breath at once.

Practice with ease at all times.

Never try to control the outgoing breath. This will be taken care of naturally, if you faithfully practice voice exercises.

Make sure that you do not move your shoulders.

Occasionally yawn to get the sensation of an open mouth and throat.

Make sure that your tongue does not drop back in your mouth and block your tongue passage.

Rest a little after every exercise.



Deanna Durbin is consistently conscious of good posture. Perhaps that is why she charms vast audiences whether she sings or merely acts in pictures.

The Quickest Beautifier

There is nothing in the world that will take the place of sleep as a beautifier, and especially sleep in the early part of the night.

There is good reason why the term "beauty rest" is applied to the hours before midnight, and pay no attention to the theorist who tells us that many people sleep too much. If you sleep in the fresh air, either outdoors or with your bedroom windows wide open, and with not too much covering, it is impossible to sleep too much! When your body and mind have rested adequately, you will find your eyes opening voluntarily to the daylight.

There is no beauty culture that can possibly be of value if you do not allow yourself sufficient sleep — and that applies to the young as well as to older women.

Children Need More Sleep

When children are very small they cry when they are tired and want to go to bed. That's before they can talk. When they know how to talk, they seem to say "I don't want to go to bed" as their first complete sentence! They feel they are missing something, or they long for the pampering of those who raise them, and unconsciously they realise that when they are sleeping they are being loved, and not in the company of those whom they have to love and depend upon. Later, dur-

ing adolescence, it is quite usual for children to take an adamant stand and loudly refuse to go to bed. They argue that they do not need any more sleep than their parents. They long to go out and stay up until midnight. They yearn to be mature so that no longer will they be forced to obey their elders.

Wise parents, of course, insist on sufficient sleep for their adolescent child, despite protestations. During that period a girl needs nine, ten or eleven hours of sleep. It is better for her to retire early and to get up early, than to retire at a late hour and get up just before the school bus calls for her!

Explain to your child that she cannot hope to be beautiful and strong and capable of attainment unless she gives her body the rest it needs for growth. If a girl has an acne condition, she should get much sleep, watch her menus and keep meticulous care of her skin. Frequently a nervous condition will cause a poor complexion and she should rest long enough to soothe her jumpy nerves.

Women's Needs

Women who work hard during the day and are called upon to go out during the evening should definitely catch "forty winks" at the end of their working day — or at the end of any arduous day. It also pays to steal one day a month for complete relaxation. Stay in bed reading or dosing, don't answer the telephone, don't trouble to think. Simply rest.



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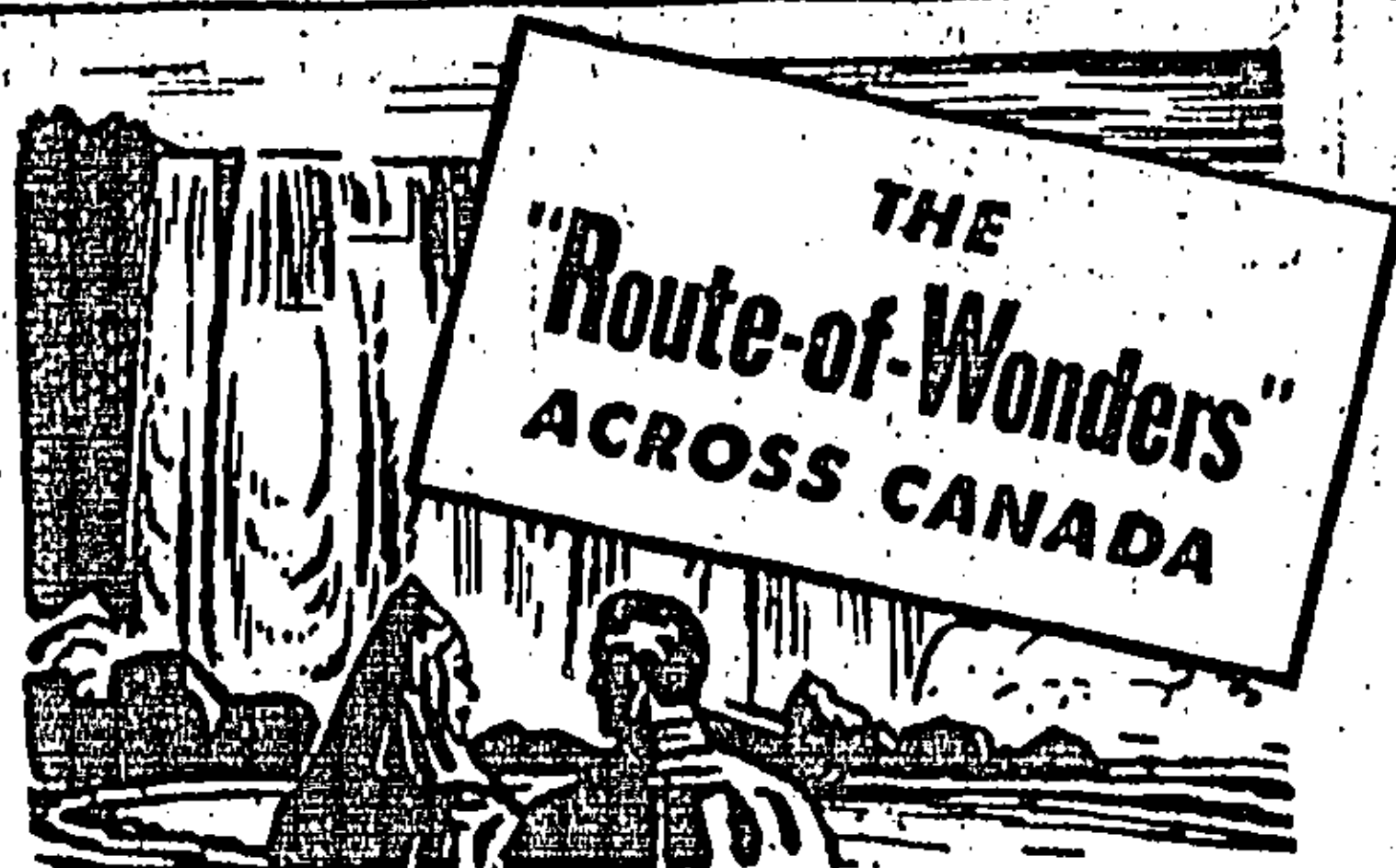
For order purposes separate pass books will be required but all supplies sold on a credit basis will be billed by this Company.

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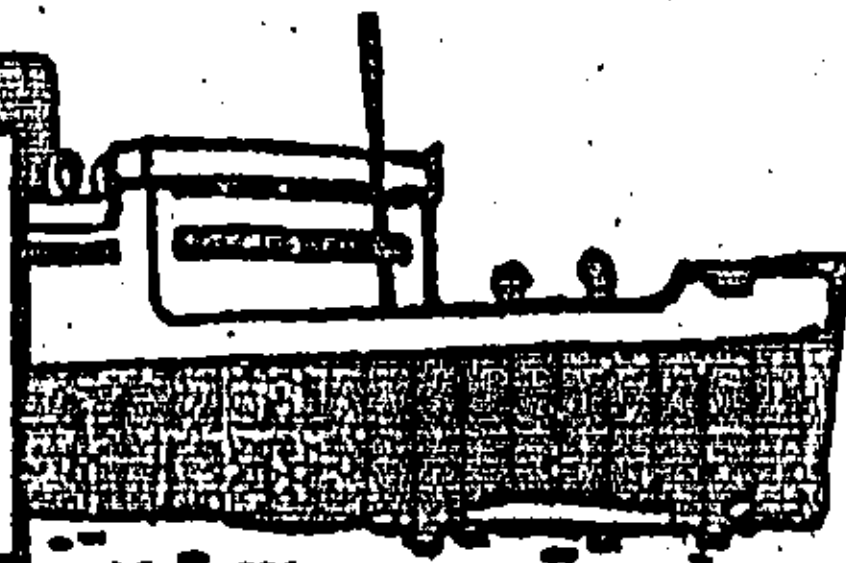
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12.15 p.m.—Short Service of Intercession.

12.30 p.m.—Compositions of Bach.

1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.02 p.m.—B.B.C. Recording—"Flying High"—Part II.

1.30 p.m.—Reciter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 p.m.—Moreton and Kaye (Two Planes).

2.00 p.m.—Casani Club Orchestra.

2.15 p.m.—Close down.

6.00 p.m.—Mozart—Concerto in E Flat Major...Gieseking (Piano) with Orchestra.

6.32 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.34 p.m.—Light Opera Selections.

7.00 p.m.—Variety, with Les Allen, Carroll Gibbons and Boy Friends, Pat Kirkwood with Jack Hylton and some of his Boys, and Scott-Wood and his Six Swingers.

7.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 p.m.—Studio—A Recital by Capt. T. A. Thompson (Bass) with A. T. Lay at the Piano.

8.25 p.m.—Band of H. M. Royal Marines, Plymouth.

8.45 p.m.—Local Newsletter from the Studio.

9.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News and Topical Talks.

9.30 p.m.—Variety, with Sydney Gussard, Leslie Hutchinson, Cicely Courtneidge, Vic Oliver, and Billy Cotton's Band.

10.00 p.m.—Dance Music.

11.00 p.m.—Close down.

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BIG TRACK MEET NEXT WEEK

UNIVERSITY TO MEET LINGNAN

SEVENTEEN EVENTS for men and six for women are included on the programme for the athletic meeting between Hong Kong University and Lingnan University of Canton to be held at Caroline Hill on Monday, October 7, and Thursday, October 10.

Scoring will be on a 4-2-1 basis for individual events, 5-0 for relays, and 6-4-2 for the Pentathlon, an event included on the programme at the specific request of Lingnan. The Pentathlon will comprise the 200 metres, 1,500 metres, long jump, discus throw and javelin throw.

Lingnan will be represented in this even by Yu Mow-wai and Mau Hok-ming, and Hong Kong U. by C. Y. Ip and Frederick Kwai. Yu, of Lingnan, has a record of 2,200 points for the event, but Kwai, a newcomer from Shanghai, is considered a strong challenger.

An event that has not been included on the programme is the One Mile Run or its metric equivalent. It has not yet been decided if the running and hurdling events will be contested over yard or metric distances.

Hong Kong University will enter the competition the favourites by a good margin, though Lingnan, where much depends on the form of individual competitors, must not be under-rated.

Doubtful Starters

On the casualty list and doubtful starters at the moment are Chan Shiu-but, star long-jumper and hop-step-jumper from Lingnan, and Kaan Chee-kin, Hong Kong University's outstanding high-jumper. Both, it is understood, sustained injuries in practice for the meet.

The loss of Chan in the jumps, an event where the H.K.U. are particularly weak, may prove a serious blow to Lingnan, as the former Lingnan Middle School

athlete and Kwangtung Provincial Champion in the triple jump, would be a certain winner in the events.

He will, however, be competing in the weight events, where he may be considered a challenger to Schiller and Derkach of H.K.U. in the Shot Put and Discus Throw.

Chan For Three Events?

Another probable winner for Lingnan is Chan Kwok-hung, who may complete in three events, the 400 and 800 metres and long jump, and is certain to take points in at least two. Clocking near 54 seconds in the 400 metres at his best and consistent at 56 seconds, he has, on present form, hardly a challenger from H.K.U.

Hong Kong University have a marked superiority on paper in only three events, the High and Low Hurdles and the Pole Vault. The ladies are an uncertain quantity, though Miss Beatrice Graves of H.K.U. should win the long jump and come in well in the sprints, while Miss Chan Yuk-man of Lingnan, who has put the eight-pound shot out to 7.9 metres, which is better than the Colony record, is an almost certain winner in the event.

The Captains

Close competition should be seen in a number of events, and the rival captains, K. M. Au, of Hong Kong University, and Chan Shiu-but, of Lingnan, should be among the most prominent point-scourers at the meet. Both are entered for a number of events.

Hong Kong University are depending on very little new blood, the freshman class promising only Frederick Kwai, who has been clocked in under 10½ seconds for the 100 yards and is reputed to be able to run the quarter-mile in 56 seconds. He has two strong opponents in the short sprint in Yu Mow-wai and Lam Hon-chung of Lingnan.

A. W. GRIMMITT FAREWELLED

An informal gathering of members of the Civil Service Cricket Club was held yesterday when a farewell presentation was made to Mr. A. W. Grimmer, who is to leave on retirement soon. The gift was a leather dressing case, inscribed, and a fountain pen.

Hon. Mr. H. J. Pearce, Vice-President, made the presentation, and those present were Messrs. P. D. Crayley, Chairman, J. A. Bendall, Hon. Secretary, A. B. Allen, C. Walker, F. Jones, W. Gardner, H. and C. Strange, H. E. Purvis, J. Gellatly, W. H. Colledge, S. Eccleshall, A. Watson, J. Lacey, J. Carr and Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Simmonds.

SENIOR LEAGUE TITLE TO BE DECIDED TO-DAY

First Division of the Tennis League will probably be decided to-day when Chinese Recreation Club, present Champions, and the Indian Recreation Club, runners-up for the past few seasons, meet on the former's courts, Causeway Bay, commencing at 5 o'clock.

Both Clubs have hitherto not met with defeat and as the players seem to be very evenly matched, some close and interesting tennis should be witnessed.

The following teams have been selected:—

C.R.C.—Tsuai Wai Pui and Tsui Yun Pui; Paul Kook and Ho Ka Lou; Lu Tak Cheuk and Chan Tak Chan.
I.R.C.—S. A. Rumliah and H. D. Rumliah; O. Rumliah and L. M. A. Razack; A. H. Madar and A. R. Minu.

The Hong Kong Hockey Association fixtures meeting arranged for 6 p.m. to-day in St. Andrew's Hall has been postponed to October 10.

LEAGUE TENNIS

In "C" Division of the Tennis League, South China Athletic Association beat Club de Récreio by six sets to one at King's Park yesterday.

H. A. Bee and C. Lee (S.C.A.A.) drew with H. F. Gonsalves and A. E. Noronha 6-6
beat A. M. Silva and A. M. Alves 6-1
beat H. A. Noronha and G. H. Noronha 6-3

H. K. Ho and C. L. Lau (S.C.A.A.) beat Silva and Alves 6-1
beat Noronha and Noronha 6-3
N. K. Ng and H. C. Kwok (S.C.A.A.) drew with Gonsalves and Noronha 6-6
beat Silva and Alves 6-3
Two sets were not finished.

C.R.C. v A.T.C.

Chinese Recreation Club beat Army T. C. by nine sets to nil at Causeway Bay.

F. K. Lau and C. C. Chiu (C.R.C.) beat Emerson and Duffield 6-2
beat Adam and Murray 6-2
beat Denyer and Stohr 6-0

Y. Y. Lam and W. K. Ma (C.R.C.) beat Emerson and Duffield 6-2
beat Adam and Murray 6-0
beat Denyer and Stohr 6-4

Wei Chung and O. L. Pang (C.R.C.) beat Emerson and Duffield 7-6
beat Adam and Murray 7-5
beat Denyer and Stohr 6-2

KOWLOON TONG WIN

At Kowloon Tong, the home team beat the University by seven sets to two.

The match between the K.I.T.C. and Jewish R. C. was postponed.

League Table

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Sets	Pts.
C.R.C.	7	7	0	0	59	4	14	
K.I.T.C.	7	6	0	1	42	20	12	
S.C.A.A.	6	5	0	1	35½	16½	10	
K.T.G.C.A.	6	5	0	1	34	29	10	
C.D.R. "A"	6	4	0	2	31	21	8	
H.K.P.S.A.	6	3	0	3	27½	26½	6	
H.K.U.T.C.	7	3	0	4	38	35	6	
K.C.C.	7	2	1	4	24	39	5	
A.T.C.	7	2	0	5	25	38	4	
C.D.R. "B"	9	1	1	7	24½	56½	3	
C.B.A.	3	0	0	3	6	21	0	
J.R.C.	5	0	0	5	2½	42½	0	

PROPOSED MATCH BETWEEN TUNNEY AND DEMPSEY SILLY!

THE move to match Gene Tunney with Jack Dempsey is the silliest suggestion since Cash-and-Carry Pyle thought up the Great American Bunion Derbies, writes Harry Grayson.

Tunney wouldn't box in 1928. What would he be thinking about attempting any sort of a comeback in 1940? Give the man credit for the good sense he has shown since retiring.

A remark made by Dempsey following his disgraceful fiasco with Mat Bad Man Bull Curry in Detroit explains why the Old Man Mauler got off on the wrong track this late in life.

"I've had so many headaches lately I just had to do something to take my mind off my troubles," he said.

They haven't been financial headaches, for he is far from being broke.

Dempsey now demands that wrastlers put up a forfeit guaranteeing they'll stand up and fight. What he really asks them to do is stand up and be hit.

But those close to him doubt that Dempsey will risk further tarnishment of his reputation in

another bout with a rasser or anybody else.

Fighting at 45 is a strange way for Jack Dempsey to work out his aches.

PEE Wee Reese, who was passed up by the Red Sox, will be the regular Brooklyn shortstop from now on.

Leo Durand's legs bothered him when he turned to the lineup, and he intends to confine himself to bench managing unless an emergency arises.

Donie Bush pays Reese a fine compliment in an argument with George Weiss, director of the Yankee farm chain, about the respective merits of the Louisville kid and Phil Rizzuto, the colourful little fellow who is shortstop for the New York club's Kansas City subsidiary.

Weiss insists Rizzuto is superior in the field and at bat, but Bush says Reese will make more plays outside the ordinary shortstop circle than anyone he has ever seen.

We'll have to string along with Donie Bush in this one.

He played a few games at the position himself. Saw a few shortstops.

POOR TIMES IN MANILA TRY-OUTS

Poor marks were registered on Sunday in the first of a series of swimming tryouts conducted by P.A.A.F. swimming officials to select members of the Philippine tank squad which will be sent to Hong Kong for the Philippine-Hong Kong Interport swimming meet to be held on Oct. 23, 24 and 25, says the "Manila Bulletin."

A total of 24 candidates, 23 men and one woman aspirant, turned out for the opening tryouts yesterday. Such leading swimmers as Basanung, Ladja, Al Saudin, Ely Misaya, Palileo, D. Roque and D. Bonus were among the first candidates to report.

Twenty-two swimmers, 14 men and 8 women, will be selected to form the Philippine team. The delegation is scheduled to sail from Manila on Oct. 19.

Not Yet Warned Up

Basanung and Ladja, two Moro splashes of great promise, dominated in the 100-metre free-style tryout, but failed to turn in impressive times. Apparently local swimmers have not yet reached their peak in performance as the local swimming season started only recently. Basanung won the first heat of the 100-metre free-style with a time of 1:04.6, while Ladja captured the second heat with a time of 1:04.0.

The next tryouts are scheduled for Thursday afternoon, Oct. 3, starting at 4.30 o'clock at the Rizal Memorial swimming pool. Tryouts in the following events will be held: 200-metre free-style, 150-metre medley race, 100-metre breast-stroke, 50-metre back-stroke and all events for women.

The complete results of the tryouts follow:

100-METRE FREE-STYLE
First heat: 1. Basanung, 1:04.6; 2. Lavadia, 1:05.9; 3. Saudin, 1:07.5; 4. Requillo, 1:13.2.

Second heat: 1. Ladja, 1:04.0; 2. Palileo, 1:04.5; 3. Misaya, 1:05.0; 4. Dianzon, 1:08.6; 5. Garcia, 1:09.4.

200-METRE BREAST-STROKE
First heat: 1. D. Bonus, 3:01.0; 2. Udajil, 3:05.0; 3. J. Roque, 3:09.1; 4. J. Casiro, 3:12.1.

Second heat: 1. D. Roque, 3:00.4; 2. Taino, 3:01.2; 3. F. Bonus, 3:07.1; 4. Caliao, 3:13.2; 5. G. Barton, 3:16.4.

400-METRE FREE-STYLE
1. Basanung, 5:26.1; 2. Villanueva, 5:29.9; 3. Palileo, 5:37.0; 4. Lavadia, 5:38.8; 5. Ladja, 5:40.7.

100-METRE BACK-STROKE
First heat: 1. E. Bonus, 1:16.3; 2. Udajil, 1:17.7; 3. Saranglao, 1:18.3; 4. Carbonnel, 1:19.1.

Second heat: 1. Salamat, 1:10.0; 2. Garcia, 1:18.0; 3. Trinidad, 1:20.5.

150-metre medley race: 1. V. Labayan, 3:06.5.

HUANG SMASHES RECORD

Charles Huang, Shanghai 220 and 440 yards free-style swimming champion, yesterday afternoon established a new Hong Kong University record when he clocked 12 mins. 37.2/10 secs. in the European Y.M.C.A. pool to break Lau Po-hei's 1936 record of 13 mins. 32.7/10 secs. by 55.5/10 secs.

Huang finished three lengths (73 yards) ahead of Ng Tsun-man, who came second, and four lengths ahead of Kenneth Lo.

The finals will be held on Saturday in the Y.M.C.A. pool commencing at 2 p.m.

Yesterday's results and finalists are as follows:

880 yards free-style final:—1. Charles Huang (Morrison), 12 mins. 37.2/10 secs. (record); 2. Ng Tsun-man (Morrison), 13 mins. 50.4/10; 3. Kenneth Lo (Morrison), 14 mins. 56.8/10; 4. L. E. Gutierrez (Ricel), 14 mins. 56.8/10.

100 yards free-style:—Ng Tsun-man (Morrison), 28.5/10; A. V. Ozorio (Lugard), 27.1/10; C. V. Huang (Morrison), 27.0/10; Wong Yai-hung (Lugard), 29.4/10; Wu Ching-wei (Morrison), 29.0/10.

100 yards breast-stroke:—Hui Kwan-lun (Elliot), 1:03.5/10; Wong Yai-hung (Lugard), 1:03.2/10; Yeung Yuk-wa (May), 1:03.3/10; W. S. Gegg (Ricel), 1:03.4/10; Tang Hon-chiu (Morrison), 1:04.

440 yards free-style:—A. Ho (Ricel), Kenneth Lo (Morrison), Charles Huang (Morrison) 6 mins. 30; A. V. Ozorio (Lugard) 6 mins. 44.

100 yards back-stroke:—Ng Tsun-man (Morrison), 1:05; Hui Kwan-lun (Elliot), 1:07.2/10; Wong Yai-hung (Lugard), 1:07.2/10.

AQUATICS MACAO TOUR REVIEWED

By "Natafor"

The Macao Chinese water-polo team completed their annual schedule of friendly water-polo games with the Hong Kong Chinese Clubs on Tuesday, when they were defeated by the Chung Shing Benevolent Society water-polo team in their last fixture.

During their five-day stay, they played four games, securing a win over South China, and losing to Eastern and Chung Shing. The other game with Chinese Bathing Club was abandoned after a few minutes of play when the captain of the Macao contingent had a disagreement with one of the C.B.C. players, and walked out of the game with his team.

In their first game with South China, the Macao team was quite brilliant, and showed good knowledge of water-polo tactics, constantly out-manoeuvring the South China team, with the result that they scored three times to South China's two.

In their game with Eastern Athletic, it was obvious that the strain of turning out every day was telling on them, as they played listlessly, and were swamped by the home team by eight goals to nil in a purely one-sided affair.

Strongest Team

Eastern fielded their strongest team, and from the outset were determined to trounce the visitors. The game, which was played fifteen minutes in each half with 10 minutes rest, was hardly fair to the visitors, as they were a tired team, and there was also a strong sea current at that time. The time for a water-polo game as laid down in the rules, should be of fourteen minutes actual play of two periods of seven minutes each, and a three minutes interval. Where it is not convenient to play under these conditions, it has been the practice locally to play ten minutes each half, all in, with the customary three minutes interval.

The result of this extra long period of play was that the Macao goal was being continually hammered, and it is nothing short of miraculous that they managed to hold the score down to eight goals. In spite of the 10 minutes' respite, the team was all out, and the only one who can be said to have played fairly well was their custodian, but he was not supported by his backs.

For Eastern, Kew scored four times, his last being a back-hand, whilst Shoo Hung-yui, Chu Chuk-yau and Shek Kam-pui accounted for the others.

An Improvement

In their last game with Chung Shing, they displayed a bit of the sparkle of their first game, and they can be considered as having done quite well by only losing to the home team by four nil, when it is considered that they were playing the strongest Chinese combination in the Colony. Cheung Che-hung scored twice, and Ng Nin and Chan Sek-pui each scored once for the home team.

In all their games, weakness in the Macao team's forward line was apparent, the only one having any idea of playing forward being Chov Chak-lau, who scored two of their total of three goals. On many occasions the ball was passed to them, but they were not in position to score, being either too far away or at a bad angle. Their backs also lacked experience, and instead of clearing the ball first time, attempted to dribble past their opponents in their own darker area, which often proved disastrous.

The following represented Macao during four games, Au Yeung-keung, Poon Wai-fun, Leung Wing-kwan, Ng Kuei-hung, Chan Yung-koh, Chov Chak-lau (2), Kwan Kin-fui, Hong Po-man (1).

87.5/10; 1. Gutierrez (Ricel) 83.4/10; A. Ho (Ricel) 86.9/10.

100 yards free-style:—Ng Tsun-man (Morrison); Charles Huang (Morrison); Kenneth Lo (Morrison); A. V. Ozorio (Lugard) and Wong Yai-hung (Lugard).

50 yards back-stroke:—Hui Kwan-lun (Elliot) 37.5/10; L. F. Gutierrez (Ricel) 37.0/10; Wong Yai-hung (Lugard) 37.6/10; Ng Tsun-man (Morrison) 38.

220 yards breast-stroke:—Tang Ton-chiu (Morrison) 3 mins. 41.2/10; Wai Kal-chak (Morrison) 3 mins. 55.4/10; Yeung Yuk-wa (May); Hui Kwan-lun (Elliot) and San Wai-yin (Ricel).

75 yards individual medley (back breast and side):—Wong Yai-hung (Lugard) 54.4/10; Ng Tsun-man (Morrison) 54.5/10; Kenneth Lo (Morrison) 59; Yeung Yuk-wa (May) 60.8/10.

INTERPORT TRIALS

Swimming enthusiasts are reminded that Interport trials for the 100 and 220 yards back-stroke, 220 yards breast-stroke, women's 50 yards back-stroke and women's 50 yards breast-stroke, will be held in the V.A.C. pool to-day at 6 p.m.

The entrance fee will be 20 cents and receipts will go to the "South China Morning Post" Jointing Fund.

CRICKET

WEST AND ALLISON IN FORM

Although they were dismissed for a meagre 54 runs, Royal Corps of Signals made a team from H.M.S. Tamar go all the way before the latter were able to win by 3 wickets on C.B.S. ground yesterday.

Against the deadly bowling of Barton, Allison and Collingwood, Signals batsmen fared badly, not one double-figure score being registered.

Tamar, aided by Lt. Kilbee, former H.K.C.C. opening bat, had 33 runs on the board with three wickets down but, when still five runs short of their opponents' score, they had lost an additional four wickets.

West batted soundly and was associated with Mitchell in a stand of 54 for the last wicket, the latter's contribution being 3 not out!

SIGNALS				
Cpl. Blount, l.b.w.	b Barton	7		
Cpl. Bedford, b Allison		7		
L/Cpl. Murphy, b Allison		1		
Sgt. Dixon, b Allison		1		
L/Cpl. Pitcher, c Barton		1		
Sgt. Lithauer, c Barton		5		
Sgt. Brackenbury, b Allison		5		
L/Cpl. Smith, b Allison		0		
Cpl. Copsey, b Collingwood		1		
Sgt. Lees, b Collingwood		8		
L/Cpl. Parry, not out		0		
Extras (B14, LB4)		18		
Total		54		

Bowling Analysis				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
Barton	6	0	19	3
Allison	7	2	9	5
Collingwood	2	0	8	2

H.M.S. TAMAR				
Snell, c and b Dixon		0		
Sharp, b Dixon		0		
Lt. Kilbee, run out		13		
West, l.b.w., b Dixon		58		
Allison, b Dixon		10		
Boyes, b Dixon		4		
Wilson, run out		6		
Lt. Collingwood, c Murphy, b Dixon		0		
Barton, b Dixon		2		
Horgan, b Dixon		3		
Mitchell, not out		3		
Extras (B4, NB3)		7		
Total		111		

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Blount	5	0	23	7
Lees	2	0	23	0

ARTILLERY BEAT "BOWLSTERS"

Corps Artillery had their revenge over the "Bowlsters" in a lawn bowls match at K.C.C. yesterday, winning by 20 shots. On the first meeting of the two teams "Bowlsters" won quite easily.

The following were yesterday's scores:

Corps Artillery	Bowlsters
Gnr. Abbas	A. W. Cornell
Sgt. Lloyd	F. Flippance
C.A.S.M. Jack	J. Smith
B. S. M. Walker (Skip)	Hon. S. Dodwell
Sgt. Gittins	24 (Skip)
Bdr. Capell	Hon. J. A. Fraser
Sgt. Carr	Sir Atholl McGregor
Sgt. Sherriff	A. W. Hodges
(Skip)	J. F. McGowan
Sgt. Bone	22 (Skip)
Sgt. Gillard	E. Searle
Sgt. Bebbington	N. L. Smith
B. S. M. Rose	Dr. Newton
(Skip)	J. Deakin
	19 (Skip)
	17
	47

Bowls Tourney

At Recreio yesterday U.M. Omar beat A. J. Hall 21-16 in the bowls championship.

At Kowloon Football Club A. Eastman beat H. A. Alves 21-13.

At Civil Service A. R. Minu beat C. S. Rosset 21-19; W. Hong Sling beat J. C. Remedios 21-12; R. F. da Luz beat W. K. Way 22-8.

"Y" HOCKEY TEAMS

The following will represent Y.M.C.A. at King's Park this week:

Tuesday—A. V. Kumaran Riffa (A.M.)—Benwell, Jordan, Saxby, Heptonstall, Pennington, Waldron, Coombe, Gommell, Dunne, Colledge, Highlands.
Saturday—Firsts v H.E. (4.30 p.m.)—Benwell, Jordan, Saxby, Heptonstall, Pennington, Waldron, Banks, Gommell, A. M. Other, Dunne, Highlands.
Second v Signals (3 p.m.)—Benwell, Killean, Hallton, Spenceclay, Tomlinson, Gault, Fancey, McGowan, Smith, Treason, Devan.

the Sir Walter Lawrence silver statuette (plus 100 guineas), awarded to the player who hit the fastest century of the year in first-class cricket, could have been put up this

Fastest Hundred. Summit for players in the leading Leagues it is almost certain the winner would be Wilfred Barber.

The Yorkshireman, now a professional with Brighouse, hit the fastest hundred the Bradford League has ever known when he took 154 off the Bradford bowling on June 8.

His first 50 came in 21 minutes and 100 in 36 minutes. He hit nine 6's and twenty 4's, so that all but 20 of his runs came from boundary shots!

FEW will recall that Jack Hobbs was an in-swing bowler of real gifts, and fewer still know that among his host of records was that of achieving the

Out To Beat Hobbs Mark finest all-round season's

work ever known in the 38 years of the Bradford League's history. During the last war, when he was professional to the Idle club, he finished season 1916 with a haul of 780 runs (average 56.00) and 59

SPORTS JOTTINGS

wickets (average 0.57). No one ever equalled that double-harness feat in the Bradford League.

Now, however, that record of 24 years' standing seems certain to be beaten by Derbyshire's George Pope. In a dozen League games for Lidget Green Pope has hit 478 runs and collected 60 wickets.

WHEN M. Boussac, the French sportsman, changed his mind and decided to let his crack colt, Djebel, run in the French Derby before competing for the English Classic

Djebel Seized? he little knew he was jeopardising £50,000.

That would have been the normal value of the wonder colt had he won the Derby as well as the Guineas, which most shrewd judges think he would have done. M. Boussac's original plan was to let Djebel go to Steve Donoghue's Blowbury stables after the "Guineas," but he decided to send him back to France for the Derby before tackling the English Derby.

That went wrong when the German-swept to the Boussac stables. If they looted the colt he will be worthless. No German word will be taken on the subject of a horse's identity. That is generally accepted in British breeding circles.

HERE'S what has happened to the Arsenal team of last season, everyone of whom, with the exception of Clifford Bastin, is either serving in the armed forces by reason of their peace-time skill.

Arsenal's Big Bit Bastin, has been rejected because of the ear trouble which dimmed the brilliance of his football career for the last two seasons.

Cumner is in the Marines, Leslie Compton in the police, but has registered; Hapgood and Bryn Jones have registered and are awaiting call-up, and George Male and Leslie Jones have reported for R.A.F. duty. They join Marks, Scott, Crayston, Kirchen, Drake, Sidey, Pugh, and Curtis. Tom Whittaker is also in the R.A.F.

and George Allison is Home Defence river patrol. George must have got this job on his sailing experience.

THIRTY years ago a syndicate of three men about Town bought a steam yacht and the costumes to go with it—

3 Men In A Boat George Allison, John Brockett, a former sports editor of the "Daily Mail" and the first sports journalist to broadcast—and Gordon Hoare, one of the happy band of amateur internationalists. Sammy Hill-Wood collected in his Glossop days.

The yacht made one trip and a profit of £1. The cost of the boat was £25 and they sold the engine for £26—after a crazy down-Thames cruise Jerome would have made immortal.

Among the adventures were forgetting the tide went out miles at Southend and crashing into Tilbury Pier because there was no reverse on the engine and Captain Allison ran her in with, instead of against, the tide or slashed his mizzen or something.

Anyway, the piermaster had hysterics and George handed his cap to Able-Seaman Hoare. It must have been a good engine.



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Few German Aircraft Get Through To London

GANDHI'S MIND NOT MADE UP

The Mahatma Gandhi spent the best part of his 72nd birthday yesterday in the third-class compartment of a train, returning to Wardha after his abortive conversations with the Viceroy in Simla.

Correspondence exchanged between the Mahatma and members of the Congress Working Committee suggests that he is not anticipating precipitate measures and this is corroborated by the statement issued by Gandhi on his arrival at Wardha yesterday, asking Congress members not to be impatient.

He stated that he hopes to be ready with a plan of action by the time the Working Committee of Congress meets.

In the meantime, Gandhi directs Congress members not to resort to civil disobedience either direct or indirect.—Reuter.

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BUENOS AIRES' RED CROSS DONATION

The British community in Buenos Aires has sent £7,000 to the British Red Cross, £2,500 to the Scottish Red Cross and £1,000 to the London air-raid relief fund.—Reuter.

Large Scale Attempts

BRITISH FIGHTERS, CONTINUING THEIR HEROIC BATTLE IN THE DEFENCE OF LONDON BY DAYLIGHT, WERE OFFICIALLY STATED LAST EVENING TO HAVE INTERCEPTED AND BROKEN UP FORCES OF "SEVERAL SQUADRONS OF ENEMY AIRCRAFT WHICH DELIVERED A SERIES OF ATTACKS ON THE CAPITAL THROUGHOUT THE DAY."

Few of the enemy formations—estimated unofficially to have totalled over 200 machines—penetrated to the London area, states an Air Ministry communique.

The official statement adds that reports indicate that where bombs were dropped they caused little damage and few casualties, though these included some fatally injured.

Both on their way to and from London, it is revealed, some of the German planes dropped bombs on Kent coastal towns.

This phase of yesterday's actions began at about 8 a.m. Earlier, single aircraft had made several brief raids.

They came in not only over the South Coast but over the East Coast as well.

Isolated Raids

A few bombs, says the Air Ministry, were dropped at isolated points in South-West England, South Wales and Essex, resulting in little damage and few casualties.

If the German Air Force had hoped to wear down the British fighter defence in the day's excursions—one of the primary objects of their visits in between mass raids—they appear to have failed again.

Reports so far received, states the Air Ministry, show that nine enemy aircraft have been shot down and only one R.A.F. fighter is missing.

Six "Alerts"

Some of the raiders which gave London six "alert" warnings in the course of the day were engaged over an East End district.

Watchers on a City roof saw the climax. British fighters surrounded the raiders, shepherded them together and then dived, making head-on and rear attacks. The enemy fled towards the Kent coast.—Reuter.

Ten Altogether

Later. It is learned that ten enemy aircraft were destroyed yesterday, nine by fighters and one by A.A. fire.

Besides one machine destroyed by ack-ack fire over South-East London on Tuesday night, it is now learned that two enemy aircraft were shot down on Monday afternoon over the Sussex coast by Lewis Gun fire.—Reuter.

FIJI'S BOMBER FUND

MORE GIFTS CONTINUE TO REACH ENGLAND FROM ALL PARTS OF THE EMPIRE, AND SOME OF THE LATEST COME FROM FIJI.

At Suva, the capital, Europeans, Indians, Chinese and other nationals joined with the Fijians in a carnival, as a result of which the Governor has sent £5,000—part of the proceeds—to the Red Cross and St. John's Ambulance Fund.

Gifts for this fund so far received from Fiji total £11,500.

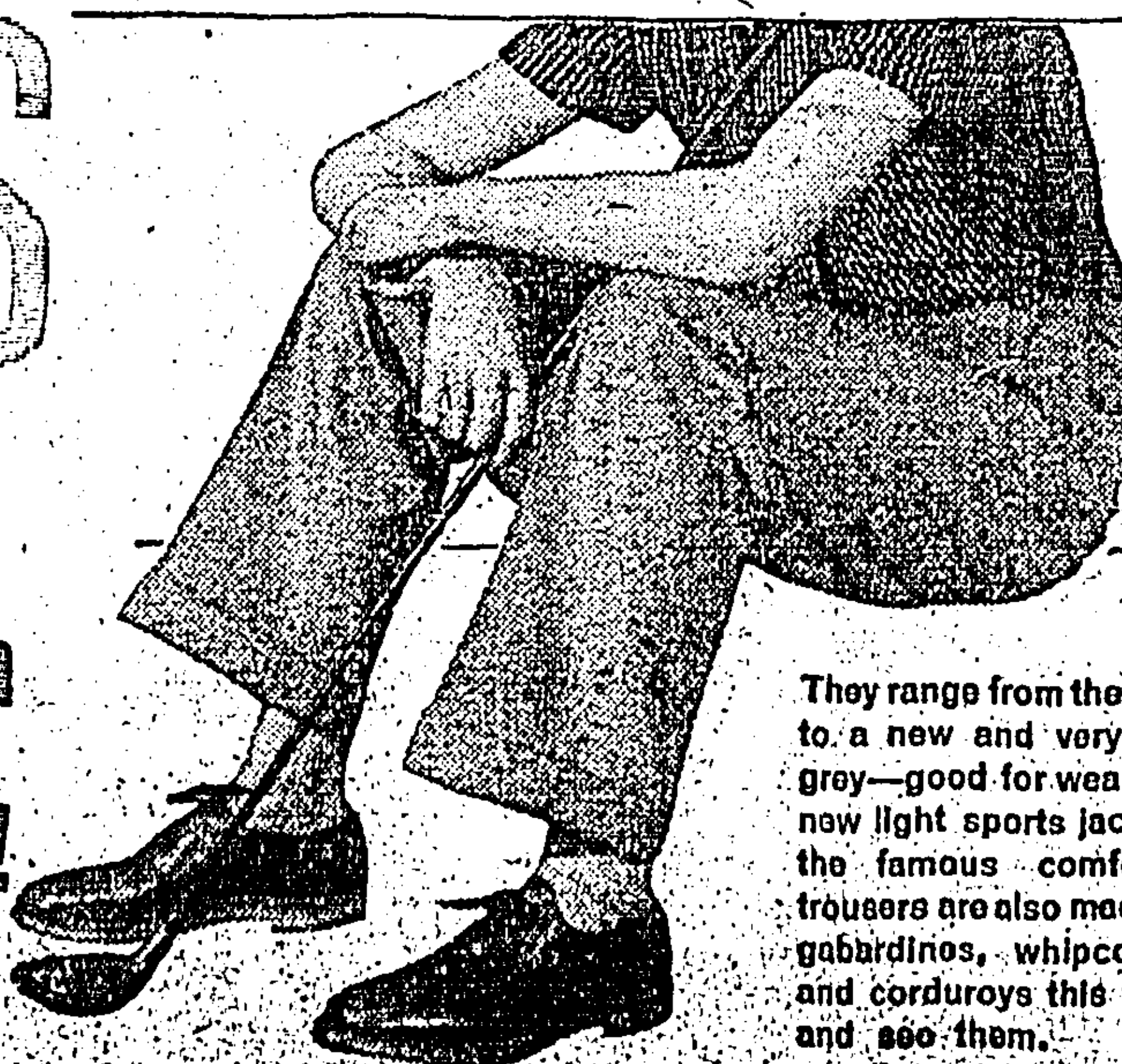
The Fiji bomber fund now stands at £27,500.

The Fiji fund for London air-raid relief now stands at £1,300. All in all, an imposing array of gifts from this small possession in the Pacific.—Reuter.

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CHURCHILL CABINET RE-SHUFFLE IMMINENT

Mr. Chamberlain Resigning For Health Reasons

BIG SHIFT LIKELY

AN EXTENSIVE RE-SHUFFLE OF THE BRITISH WAR CABINET IS CONSIDERED LIKELY.

Mr. Winston Churchill's visits to the King are believed to be connected with the proposed changes.

The Press Association's Lobby Correspondent states that there is reason to believe that changes in other departments, as well as the War Cabinet, will be announced almost immediately.

THE CORRESPONDENT ANTICIPATES MR. CHAMBERLAIN'S RESIGNATION FOR HEALTH REASONS. THIS WILL LEAVE A VACANCY IN THE WAR CABINET AND IT WOULD NOT BE SURPRISING, SAYS THE CORRESPONDENT, IF MR. ERNEST BEVIN WERE TO CHANGE FROM HIS PRESENT POSITION AS MINISTER OF LABOUR TO ONE WITH LESS DEPARTMENTAL RESPONSIBILITY, BUT MORE SCOPE.

There is some reason to think that Lord Halifax will remain in the Government and as Lord Beaverbrook is already a member of the War Cabinet, he too may retain his present office.

Some good judges anticipate that Mr. Duff Cooper may leave the Ministry of Information for the War Office, in which case Mr. Eden would doubtless be found an outlet elsewhere, possibly at the Ministry of Supply.—Reuter.

G.H.Q. FOR SCIENCE

Britain is to have a General Headquarters of Science to co-ordinate and stimulate research and the discoveries of scientific workers in all spheres.

The personnel will consist of internationally known scientific investigators like Sir William Bragg, Dr. E. F. Appleton, Sir Edward Mellanby, Sir Edwin Butler, Professor A. V. Hill, and Professor A. G. Egerton.

The Chairman will be Lord Hankey, who will convey the suite of the new body's motto directly to the Lord Chancellor.—Reuter.

ATTACK ON TRAWLERS

Returning from an inland raid yesterday, three Messerschmidt fighters dived out of formation to machine-gun three trawlers off the South-East coast.

They then attempted to attack a balloon barrage but were driven off by anti-aircraft fire. The trawlers, which began to zig-zag when attacked, carried on.—Reuter.

VAIN WAIT FOR SEQUEL

The German Radio yesterday morning announced that "strong bomber and fighter forces have started for England again," but its listeners will probably wait in vain to hear that these formations very quickly returned in disorder—but that is what actually happened!

An official announcement says that between midnight and noon yesterday, eight German planes were brought down without a single loss to the R.A.F.

Up to late yesterday afternoon, London had had six "alerts," but no German planes came nearer than the outskirts, where a few bombs were dropped, property damaged and some people killed.

During one raid, three people were killed when their house was demolished.

Their dog, which had taken refuge in the shelter, was not hurt.

Three bombs partly wrecked a house, killing one person, a fourth wrecked an old farm-house and others fell in parks and the grounds of a school.

It seems certain that these bombs were dropped from odd raiders which got through in weather which favoured them—large cloud formations affording ample cover. Large formations were all turned back by gun-fire and our fighters.

The Germans yesterday again

Head Of British Oil Company Under Arrest Or Abducted

A PROMINENT BRITON, Mr. Miller, who is the administrator of the Astra-Romano Oil Company, was arrested at midnight on Tuesday at the Astra Company's Sports Club at Unagow, 20 miles from Bucharest.

Four Government men in civilian clothes made the arrest, which has just been disclosed in Bucharest.

Mr. Miller's whereabouts are unknown as he was driven away in a car. The British Consulate is making inquiries.

Mr. Miller is the sixth Briton to be arrested by the Rumanian authorities.

The arrest is considered the most important hitherto as he holds the leading position in the biggest oil company in Rumania.

Or Kidnapped?

Later reports received in Bucharest, however, indicate that Miller may not have been arrested but kidnapped by Iron Guards.

DORNIER TERRORIST CREW CAUGHT

A few minutes after it had machine-gunned the streets of an Essex town, a German Dornier bomber was shot down by Hurricanes who were returning from a patrol over the North Sea.

The German pilot tried dodging in and out of the clouds, but several of the Hurricanes got in bursts of machine-gun fire and the Dornier crashed twenty miles away near a searchlight post.

One of the Hurricane pilots who had helped to shoot down the raider landed nearby and was congratulated by the searchlight crew who had taken four of the German crew prisoners.

The searchlight men were surprised at the size of the British pilot. Four feet three inches in height, he is one of the smallest pilots in the Air Force.—Reuter.

used a handful of bombers protected by a mass of fighters.—Reuter.

A WASTE OF TIME

American radio reporters in Germany are getting so annoyed at the Nazi censorship that they are thinking of giving it all up and leaving the country.

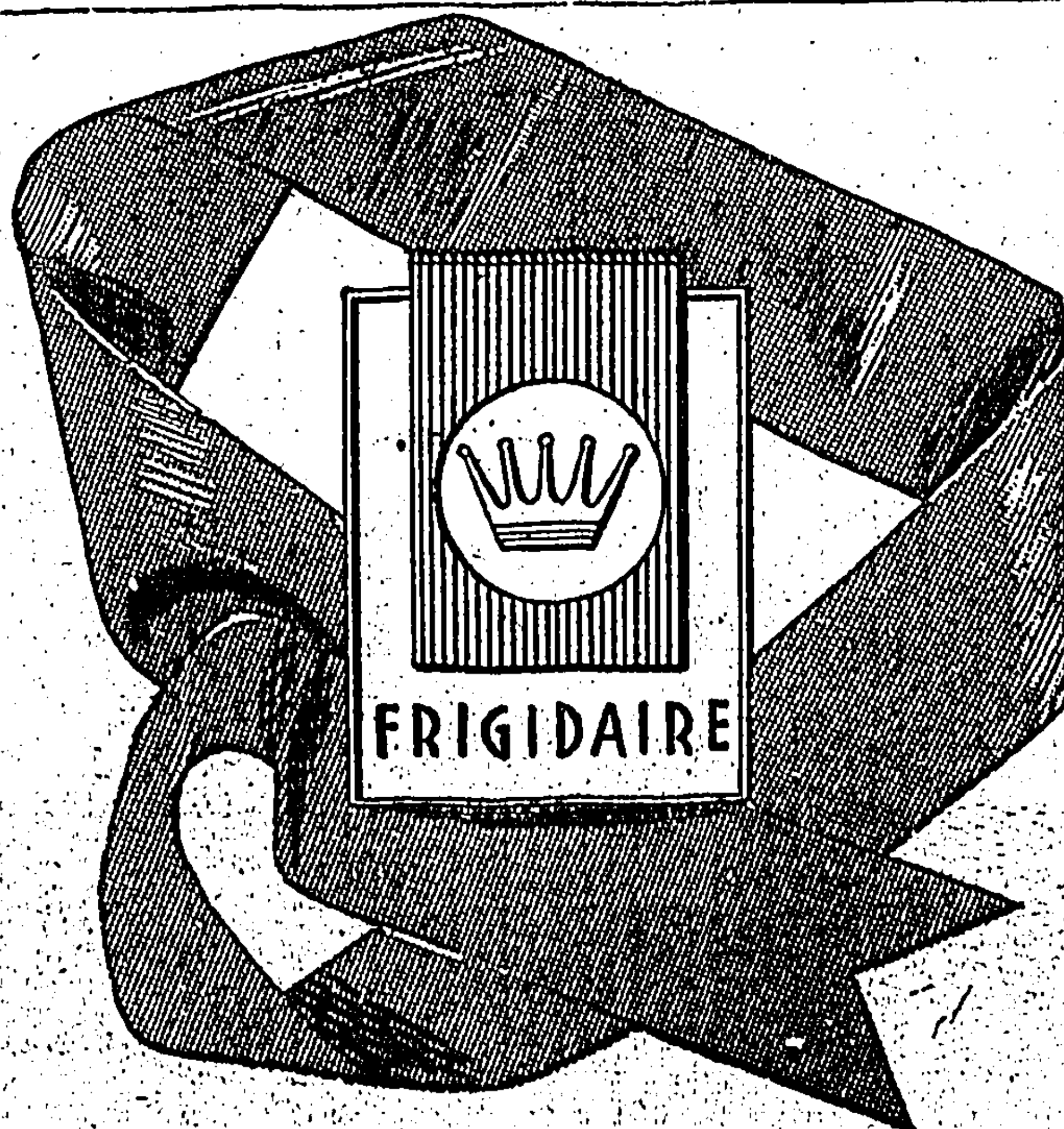
"Variety," doyen of American screen, stage and radio magazines, reports that officials of the various American broadcasting companies believe that the available broadcasting material from Germany contains "little of authentic news value," and are considering the withdrawal of their correspondents from Germany.—Reuter.

TRAWLER LOST

The Admiralty announced last night that H.M. trawler Recoil is overdue and must be considered lost.—Reuter.

ITALIAN BOMBER FORCED DOWN

An Italian bomber which raided Haifa on Tuesday was damaged by anti-aircraft fire and later landed in Syria.—Reuter.



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GENERAL WAVELL'S ARMY STRONGLY REINFORCED

NEWS FROM GENERAL Wavell's command in the Middle East continues to be reassuring, writes Reuter's military correspondent.

His Egyptian front, already strong in mechanised cavalry and first-class infantry of the line, has now been reinforced by a contingent of Australians.

In Kenya, his South African troops are now reported to be holding 500 miles of lines of communications from the south of the Abyssinia frontier.

In Uganda and Sudan, the main routes to important military objectives are now well defended.

General Graziani and the Army from Libya has been halted at Sidi Barrani for a fortnight. During that period his forces have been heavily attacked by British aircraft at Ben Ghazi and Tozruk, both vital sea bases.

Bardia and the road to Bug Bug have been shelled by the British fleet and important aerodromes, including Marawa, have received unexpected attention from British Blenheims, whose range, action and endurance come as an unpleasant surprise to the Italian military effort.

Abyssinia Raids

The South African Air Force continues its raids on the far from inexhaustible oil dumps and munition stores in Abyssinia and Italian Somaliland. These latter operations are close linked with what is happening in Egypt.

Abyssinia is cut off and there are a large number of Italian troops there. The defences of Egypt have been greatly strengthened.

The British Navy in the Mediterranean and R.A.F. operating over the entire Middle East Command have been reinforced during the last few weeks.—Reuter.

CHEMIST HAS TO SIGN ON

Chemists and agricultural contractors are the two newest types of workers to be harnessed to national service.

All persons with certain qualifications in chemistry, physics and quantity surveying must under a new Ministry of Labour and National Service Order in force apply for registration with the Central Register.

Qualification is approximately, although not necessarily, membership or associate membership of recognised professional institutions.

Every agricultural contractor in England and Wales had to register by August 1, 1940, with the War Agricultural Executive Committee for any county in which he does work.

OBJECTS OF ORDER

He must give the committee particulars of his machinery and equipment and of the areas in which he normally operates, and comply with any directions the committee may give in regard to his operations.

The order applies to persons whose principal business is that of carrying out agricultural operations on land other than that in their own occupation.

The object of the Order is to assist county War Agricultural Executive Committees in organising machinery work to ensure the fullest use of available resources.

RESCUE IN THE IRISH SEA

Dutch allies rendered service to their R.A.F. comrades recently when Dutch airmen, flying an Anson aircraft of the Coastal Command, sighted a rubber dinghy with five men drifting in the Irish Sea.

They found and guided a ship to the rescue of the dinghy's occupants, who were the crew of a British aircraft which had made a forced landing on the water.—British Wireless.

MEATLESS 'IDEAL'

After guests at a luncheon of the National Defence Public Interests Committee in London had enjoyed a meal of hors d'oeuvres, chicken, ice and coffee, Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, Minister of Health, told them what would be the perfect menu. It was:—

Four ounces of bread,
Two-thirds of an ounce of oatmeal,
Half-ounce of fats,
Five ounces of potatoes,
All washed down with one-fifth of a pint of milk.

Dealing with evacuation, Mr. MacDonald said no place could be absolutely safe from air raid risks, but some places were much safer than others.

"In the borough," he said, "every enemy bomb has on the average killed or injured three people. It is actually fifteen times as safe in a reception area as in an evacuation area."

"With Love And Kisses"

Mr. MacDonald read this letter written home by a child evacuee:—

"Dear Ma and Pa—I hope you are quite well. I am having a fine time. Yesterday thirty German parachutists landed here. With love and kisses."

He commented: "No one can say that the dull uniformity of State education has killed that child's imagination."

"If I could change the moment when I would most wish to be alive in the long un-

ITALIAN FANTASY RECOILS

Italian propaganda has aroused the contempt of the Arabs.

At first a feeling of dismay was caused in remoter parts of the desert by an Italian announcement that Aden had been razed to the ground. This feeling changed to disgust at such deliberate lying when it became known that the inhabitants of Aden continue to regard a bomb crater as a thing of curiosity.

As soon as a bomb bursts on land, there is a rush to collect splinters for sale as mementoes. In outlying towns and villages, and in Aden itself, attentive crowds gather each evening around loud-speakers to hear the news.

When the announcer mentions Italians, mutters run through the listeners, "May God curse them."

In contrast to the violent dislike of Italians, is the increasing confidence in the British. For instance, an English official acceded to a request by local religious leaders on Tuesday to broadcast a prayer in Arabic calling the blessings of Allah upon the observance of the Great Moslem Feast of Ramadan which will last from Tuesday until the new moon.—Reuter.

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STOCK EXCHANGE ACTIVITY

On the London Stock Exchange yesterday, small but decided improvement in business was noted in several groups, among which Kaffirs were the most prominent, with Far Western issues, sharply higher on continued Cape and local support.

Industrials also attracted more buyers, while gilt-edged securities were quietly steady. Others mostly tended to advance.

Wall Street was firmer.—Reuter.

ending future, I would choose a few days, or weeks hence, whenever the time may come, when the enemy strikes with his maximum force against this island.

"Alone in the front line trench, defending civilisation are the people of this island. Of course we shall suffer."

"But in the end, we shall sink the ships on the seas that guard our shores, and so slay their invaders, and so tear their aeroplanes from the sacred sky above our homes, that we shall turn the tide of war."

YACHTS FOR ANTI-SUBMARINE PATROLS

Fifteen large ocean-going yachts have been acquired by the Canadian Navy, says Reuter's Ottawa correspondent, for conversion into anti-submarine patrol vessels.

An official announcement to this effect was made yesterday by Navy Minister MacDonald.—Reuter.

MISSION TO SOUTH AMERICA

SLIGHT MODIFICATION IN THE PERSONNEL OF THE BRITISH ECONOMIC MISSION WHICH IS GOING TO SOUTH AMERICA UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF LORD WILLINGDON HAS JUST BEEN ANNOUNCED IN LONDON.

Sir Harry Chilton, who has been British Ambassador in the Argentine and Chile, will replace Sir Horace Rumbold, who will be prevented by private reasons from accompanying the Mission.

Admiral Sir Cyril Fuller is joining the Mission as an additional member.—Reuter.

OVERSEAS EVACUATION SCHEME TEMPORARILY ABANDONED

CITY OF BENARES TRAGEDY SEQUEL

THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT has decided that until further notice no more children can be sent overseas under the Children's Overseas Reception Scheme.

The recent loss of children in the "City of Benares" illustrated the dangers to which passenger vessels are exposed even when in convoy, under the weather conditions now prevailing in the Atlantic.

Government has come reluctantly to the conclusion that during the winter season of gales and heavy seas they cannot accept the responsibility of sending children overseas under the Government Scheme.

Although the operation of the Scheme is to be suspended for the time being, it has not been abandoned. The question whether the Board will be able to resume operations next year must turn on the conditions then obtaining.

Some 2,650 children have already gone overseas under the Scheme. The parents of these children may rest assured that there will be no suspension of the arrangements made for their welfare in their new homes.

Sole Consideration

Government recognise the keen disappointment that will be felt by parents who had hoped to be able to send their children overseas under the Government Scheme and they express warm thanks to the very many people in the Dominions and United States who so generously have offered hospitality to children from the vulnerable areas in this country.

They are sure, however, that friends and kinsfolk overseas will be the first to appreciate that the Government's decision has been taken solely out of consideration for the children themselves.—Reuter.

ITALIAN REBUFF IN SYRIA

Complete failure of the Italian Mission to Syria to reach their goal and flat rejection of their demands by M. Puaux, French High Commissioner of Syria, is reported in a Beyrouth message to the newspaper "Al Misri" in Cairo.

Mr. Puaux, it is said, rejected the Italian demand for surrender of 800 war planes on grounds that part of the air force in Syria had "left the country for the Middle East" and part had been purchased by the Lebanese Government.

The demand for the placing of aerodromes under Italian control was also rejected, M. Puaux declaring that they were located in Lebanese territory, and that according to stipulations of the French Mandate over Lebanon, France had no right to dispose of them. The High Commissioner further refused to consider the demand for reduction of the French Army.

As a result of the Mission's failure, Mussolini is said to have recalled five generals who were members thereof, and replaced them with others who have now arrived in Syria.—Reuter.

MINERS ASK FOR GOVT CONTROL

If the miners could be made to feel they are working "for the Government" and are linked up directly with the war effort, there would be no more lightning strikes. The men would not tolerate them.

Mr. J. A. Hall, president of the Yorkshire Mineworkers' Association, said that to a reporter in commenting on the stoppage at Grimethorpe Colliery near Barnsley.

Thousands of tons of coal were lost by the strike, which ended after being condemned by the miners' leaders. Three thousand men and boys returned to work.

Meanwhile, shifts are being lost through the absence of boys at Denaby Main Colliery, near Doncaster.

Mr. Hall advocated Government control of the mining industry, not from any political motive, but from a conviction that it was vital to the national interest and much preferable to appeal tribunals.

Meanwhile, colliery owners had now agreed in principle to share all available trade so that the maximum number of pits is kept in operation.

INVASION OF BRITAIN OFF, SAYS BERLIN

Ribbentrop's Whereabouts Mystery :: Soviet Riddle

Hitler To Threaten Or To Woo?

AN OFFICIAL GERMAN DECLARATION THAT THE INVASION OF BRITAIN HAS BEEN SHELVED IS ALLEGED TO HAVE BEEN MADE TO A JAPANESE CORRESPONDENT IN BERLIN, REUTER'S DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT LEARNS IN LONDON.

The declaration took form of a statement that Germany's military and diplomatic positions have been so strengthened by the new pact with Japan that there is no longer any necessity for hurrying with invasion plans.

Many British experts have long been convinced that Germany would think twice before launching an assault on the British Isles, but the excuse for holding off does not carry conviction, the correspondent continues.

One of the finest summers in living memory should have favoured the German plans if the Royal Air Force, the British Navy and Army could have been ignored.

But there were other implications in the German statement. If Germany's hand has been strengthened it is obviously not against Britain.

As in the case of the German guarantee to despoiled Rumania, menace could only come from Russia.

The next few days should help to clarify the position, whether Germany by virtue of increased strength is to threaten Russia or woo her.

The existing uncertainty on the issue may explain the mystery which is being observed about von Ribbentrop's movements.

The German assertion that he is "visiting" in the country near Berlin lacks conviction.

Anglo-Japanese Relations

British relations with Japan are likely to enter a critical stage when the question of reopening the Burma Road arises for decision during the next fortnight.

There seems little likelihood that the measure which was intended as a gesture of appeasement will be maintained now that Japan has openly promised her support to the Axis in certain contingencies.—Reuter.

No Confirmation In Moscow

Although reports have reached Moscow that Herr von Ribbentrop is supposed to have arrived in Moscow from Berlin, no confirmation of his presence is forthcoming from official circles in Moscow.

Reuter's correspondent in the Soviet capital says with reference to reports regarding Ribbentrop's activities and concerning the possible fraction of the Soviet Union to the Three-Power Pact, that it may be recalled that the organs of the Government Party, "Pravda" and "Izvestia" both recently stressed the neutrality of the Soviet Union in the present war.—Reuter.

Railway Agreement

Negotiations which have been taking place in Berlin between the German Minister of Transport and representatives of the Soviet Commissariat for Transport have resulted in the conclusion of a final railway agreement between the two countries according to the official German press.

THE MADRAS WAR EFFORT

A further £15,000 has been cabled from Madras to the Air Ministry from the Governor's War Fund, bringing total contributions from this source to £247,000.—Reuter.

WHIPPED WIFE GETS DECREE

Roger Leon George Varenne, of Woodside Avenue, Highgate, N., whose act on the music-hall stage included cutting a cigarette (held in his wife's lips) with a stock whip and lassoing her, broke down in the Court of Appeal and protested that he never intentionally hit her.

His wife, Jessie Cooper Varenne (nee Gaunt), of Wensley Drive, Leeds, appealed against the dismissal by Mr. Justice Bucknill of her divorce petition on the ground of cruelty. The Appeal Court granted Mrs. Varenne a decree nisi.

"Got In A Temper"

Among Mrs. Varenne's charges—all of which were denied—were that her husband got into a temper and used the whip in such a way that the thong caused welts on her face and head; that when using a rope to lasso her he "gave it an unnecessary pull" and hurt her legs; that she had been thrown out of her dressing-room and threatened with a thrashing, and that at Croydon in September, 1938, he deliberately hit her on the head with the whip four times during their act in a revue. A short-handled stock whip with a 9ft. thong was produced in court.

Mr. Varenne explained that the thong and "cracker" on the whip he used were considerably longer and the whip was correspondingly more difficult to handle.

"I think that Mrs. Varenne did establish her case and that Mrs. Varenne ought not to have got off by the skin of her teeth," said Lord Justice Mackinnon.

OBJECTOR'S B.B.C. POST

Charles Frederick William Chilton, described as an assistant producer at the B.B.C. of Queen Alexandra Mansions, Judd Street, London, unsuccessfully applied at the London Conscription Objectors' Tribunal for exemption from the combatant forces.

He asked to be enrolled in the R.A.M.C. or naval medical service, saying he had had first-aid training.

The chairman (Judge. Hargreaves) said Chilton's views were not so much those of a conscientious objector as a lack of faith in war being able to do any good. His name would be removed from the register. Chilton said he would appeal.

BOYS TELL OF TALK BY VICAR

On the evidence of four boys—two aged fifteen and two aged sixteen—a clergyman was fined £30 under the Defence Regulations.

It was alleged that in addressing about 100 boys he communicated air raid information which might be useful to the enemy, and made remarks which were likely to cause alarm or despondency.

"Warning The Boys"

Several witnesses said that the clergyman was unlikely to do anything detrimental to the country. He himself said he had been warning the boys against rumours and had been misunderstood.

But on the evidence of four boys he was convicted and fined.

The clergyman, fined was the vicar of Emmanuel Church, Wallasey, Cheshire, the Rev. Harold Henry Williams.

He was fined £20 at Wallasey for communicating to three boys information which would or might be useful to the enemy.

He was also fined £10 for publishing a report or statement likely to cause alarm or despondency, and was ordered to pay £3 2s. costs.

The offences were said to have occurred while Mr. Williams was addressing about one hundred boys at the Lancashire and National Sea Training Homes, Wallasey, where he gave religious instruction.

One of the fifteen-year-old boys who gave evidence said the vicar named towns as having been heavily bombed. He also said Mr. Williams stated that Germany meant to be masters of the world and would be.

The boys said the young witness, then booted and made cat-calls.

Mr. Williams said he was warning the boys against the danger of rumour and gossip, and illustrated that danger.

He had spoken of Germany's lust for power, but denied saying Germany would be masters of the world. He had explained that we were fighting for freedom of conscience, of the Press and religion. He thought the boys must have misunderstood or misconstrued what he had said.

RUMANIA DENIES NAZI INFILTRATION

A categorical denial of foreign radio reports that German air-men are stationed in the Rumanian oil-fields region, was issued on Tuesday by the semi-official Rumanian news agency in Bucharest, which also denied reports that German soldiers have prepared a landing ground near Targoviste and that there are German officers and specialists in various ports, at aerodromes and oil-fields.—Reuter.

GOWN OF COTTON FOR HEIRESS

An heiress bride wore a cotton dress for her wedding to an M.P.

She did so as a war economy measure and because cotton suited the simplicity of the Victorian style in which it was made.

The bride was Miss Anna Margaret (Peggy) Greenwell, who was married in St. John's Church, Westminster, to Mr. James Henderson Stewart, M.P. for East Fife since 1933.

Her becoming white dress was just plain cotton longcloth, such as the Victorian brides used to hem diligently to make sheets for their bottom drawers.

Her small nephew and niece, Rosemary Mides and Patrick Casement, also wore white cotton Kate Greenaway costumes.

In the absence of her brother, the present baronet, Sir Peter Greenwell, who is a prisoner of war in Germany, the bride was given away by her uncle, Colonel McClintock.

In a House of Commons speech in 1937, Mr. Henderson said that he was a bachelor because he was blessed with a superb mother. "In comparison with whom it seems impossible to find a modern young woman fit to be a wife."

THEY SPENT £6,000 IN 6 MONTHS

Clutching a gold cross hanging from a chain about her neck, Terry Downey, twenty-year-old ex-convent girl, sobbed as she heard her lover, Donald Edward Davies, sentenced at the Old Bailey to two years' imprisonment for stealing goods worth between £8,000 and £10,000 from country houses near London.

The words of the sentence had ended for her a life of luxury, a flat in Mayfair, fur, expensive gowns, jewellery, a 30 h.p. car, gay night club life.

She looked at the platinum ring on her finger, murmured: "I'll work and wait."

She herself had been acquitted of a charge of receiving property stolen by her lover.

In January last Davies, who is only twenty, came out of prison after serving a six months' sentence for theft and started book-making on dog tracks.

He and his sweetheart met Harry Moscovitch, thirty-two, furrier—sentenced to two years' for receiving some of Davies's loot—and a hectic partnership began.

Yard Caught Up

Davies's method was to visit houses about nine or ten o'clock at night, after the occupants had finished dinner. He ransacked the bedrooms, stealing in one case more than £2,000 worth of jewellery and in another about £600 worth.

He and his sweetheart took an expensive flat near Marble Arch, bought a 30 h.p. car, became regular patrons of a West End night club. In six months they got through more than £6,000.

Then the Yard caught up with them, and they came back to earth. Davies and Moscovitch to gaol, Terry to a weary two-year wait for the man she loves.

"I met him secretly at Kettering, and there, while the police were searching for him in Brighton, we spent six happy days together," Miss Downey told a reporter.

"All that week we had tried to get a special marriage licence, but I was told I was under age, and would have to get my parents' consent. I didn't want to ask them. So we bought this wedding ring. And as far as we are concerned Donald and I are married."

EXTRA TEA FOR HEAVY WORKERS

Heavy workers who have qualified for an extra ration of sugar may soon also have an extra ration of tea.

The extra ration will be granted at the discretion of the local food officer, but an official of the Ministry of Food said:—

"Any heavy worker should have no difficulty in obtaining the extra ration."

Blast furnace workers, tin plate workers, haryesters, coal heavers, dock workers and kindred trades are among those who were granted the extra ration of sugar and who will benefit by the extra allowance of tea.

The basis upon which the Ministry of Food calculate the ration and extra ration is that a pound of tea will provide 200 good-sized cups of tea.

Applications for this extra ration may be made to the local food officers.

STANDARD CLOTHING IN THE SHOPS SOON

STANDARD CLOTHING for men and women in Britain is to be introduced soon. This does not mean that every garment will be uniform, but it does mean that there will be a narrow choice of materials, qualities and styles.

A standard clothing scheme has been under consideration by the Government for some time. It aims at economy of production, and will enable more men and women to be released for work of national importance. "Many people are frightened by the words 'standard clothing'. Actually I should use the words 'rational clothing', a director of a

big tailoring firm told a reporter. "It will merely mean a restriction of varieties of cloth."

"At the moment there are more than seventy varieties of cloth to choose from, and the introduction of a limited number will relieve weavers for the more important task of turning out the three important colours of the moment—navy, blue, R.A.F. blue and khaki."

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NIGHT OUT WITH THE NAVY: ON NIGHT RAID INTELLIGENCE PATROL

A BRANCH OF THE NAVY'S war effort about which little is known was last night exposed for the first time to civilian inspection, says Reuter's special correspondent with the Home Fleet.

"My first assignment as correspondent with the Home Fleet was to sail in one of the ships which carry out intelligence and anti-aeroplane work in the narrow waters over which German bombers fly in nightly attack on London and the South-Eastern area.

The vessel used was formerly a favourite excursion ship, but to-day she bristles with guns and searchlights and is manned by reservists representing all callings from farm labourers to a London stage manager.

"We left a South-Eastern port in the late afternoon, passing Dutch, French and British warships, and a great mass of merchant ships which still chug under convoy through the Straits of Dover like fast freight trains. "Half an hour out came the warning: 'Hostile aircraft approaching.'"

"The gun crews immediately jumped to it.

"A Heinkel passed over at about 10,000 feet, but it seemed more eager to try and get at one of the great R.A.F. aerodromes that dot the shore-line than to try conclusions with the ship's pom-pom guns for which, said the Captain, German airmen have a marked distaste.

Raid On French Coast

"A little further out we passed a concentration of British destroyers which, I was told, were probably preparing to raid the French coast—a not infrequent operation nowadays by British light forces, who like to singe Hitler's wings now and then, much as Drake used to harry the Spanish coast 350 years ago.

"Surprise approach and the shelling of German-occupied coast—those are the tactics these light forces employ.

"It was dark, with a faintly glimmering moon when the distant humming proclaimed the approach of hostile aircraft.

"Eight thousand red seventy-eight" yelled the spotter, meaning that the raiders were 8,000 yards away on the port bow.

"The warning was echoed from the bridge all through the ship. The Captain ordered Action Stations and gun crews trained their weapons, while pattering feet over the deck told that every man was running to stand by.

Searchlight Cuts Sky

"The drone of the raiders was now quite close and searchlights suddenly cut through the night sky. They must have taken the raiders completely by surprise.

"I could see one with the naked eye, scudding against the moon's wrack and the searchlights held him as he shot across our stern. Our pom-poms crashed out in deafening chorus, lighting up the whole ship with the flash of blue and white explosions.

"We did not hit him, but maybe we acted the part of beaters for another sportsman, for within a few minutes another plane approached the from the direction in which the raider had just disappeared and dropped recognition flares that showed he was British.

Stalking His Prey

"Even as the ship was firing, the British plane had been stalking its prey across the open sea aided perhaps by the flashes of our guns.

"The remainder of the night passed without action, other German aircraft staying very high, out of range.

"A special watch was kept all night for enemy mine-laying

aircraft, but none appeared and the vessel returned to harbour."—Reuter.

TO BE IN WAR CABINET?

The Prime Minister will be asked by Mr. E. Granville (L. Nat. Eye, Suffolk) if the voluntary Press censorship and administration of 'Defence Regulation No. 3' by the Ministry of Information, instead of the Service departments, now represents the considered policy of the War Cabinet; and whether the Minister of Information will be made a member of that body instead of merely attending their meetings.

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Soldiers Sang As Bombed Troopship Went Down

BY A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT
STRUGGLING FOR FOOTHOLD ON THE SIDE OF A 16,000-TON BRITISH TROOPSHIP AS SHE LAY HALF-CAPSIZED AFTER A BOMB ATTACK, SCORES OF VETERANS OF THE AUXILIARY MILITARY PIONEER CORPS — THE "THIN RED LINE" — LAUGHED IN THE FACE OF DEATH AND WENT DOWN WITH THE SHIP, A SONG ON THEIR LIPS.

Smiling as he watched them stood an immaculate British officer, coolly smoking a cigarette. He could not swim. He went down with them.

As enemy planes circled over the sinking vessel, a soldier with a Bren gun blazed away at them from the tilting deck until he was waist deep in water. He was swept away by the sea.

This valour was shown in the loss of the Lancastria, famous old Cunarder, sunk at anchor off St. Nazaire, in the Bay of Biscay, after taking aboard B.E.F. men, and women and child refugees from France.

Crammed in the liner were 5,000 troops and refugees, plus a crew of 800. There are 2,823 people missing. It was stated, the first time the full story was revealed.

Some of those missing may have been able to reach the shore.

Eight enemy bombers attacked the liner, and some survivors believe the planes were Italian.

At first they missed.

The soldiers were so tightly packed that they could not move. But they jeered at the enemy airmen.

But the machines came back and a salvo hit the Lancastria.

She listed heavily, making it difficult to get the boats launched. Then she capsized and sank half an hour after being hit.

The discipline aboard the ship during that half-hour was perfect.

Machine-Gunned Them

The soldiers pressed back to form an alleyway for the women and children to reach the boats.

The came the order: "Every man for himself."

One of the crew said: "The sea was almost a solid mass of men clinging together like flies, covered with thick oil."

"There were women and children struggling for their lives, too."

"Yet those aeroplanes roared down and machine-gunned the people in the water."

"Some of the airmen seemed to be taking photographs of the terrible scene."

"Badly wounded men were floating in their life-jackets. Many of those life-jackets became empty."

"A Grand Lad"

A company sergeant-major of the Auxiliary Military Pioneer Corps said:

"I gave the order to man the hosepipes, for smoke was coming up the hatch. It was impossible to obey, because the troops were jammed so tight in the alleyways."

"Just then the ship gave a sudden lurch to port till she was listing at an angle of 45 degrees. We were thrown off our feet."

"From the bridge came the order: 'Every man for himself,' and I chucked hatchboards over the side to act as rafts when we got into the water. By this time the ship was beginning to sink and her propellers were high out of the sea."

"Forward was a soldier with a Bren gun, rattling away with all he'd got. He stuck it even when the water was up to his waist. His gun was silenced only when he was washed away from it. A grand lad. I hope he was saved."

"Just before the ship capsized and went down, some of our men — we call ourselves 'The Thin Red Line' — scrambled on to her uppermost side."

"There they stood, knowing that they had no chance. They went down like brave men, singing 'Roll Out the Barrel.'"

"After three-quarters of an hour, I was picked up by one of the Lancastria's lifeboats, crowded down to the waterline with survivors. Then a warship took us aboard."

"Some of us had not a stitch

on. Many of us were covered in filthy oil. The sailors clothed us."

Threw Her Baby

As two of the boats were dropping down the towering side of the Lancastria, they capsized. One had about 120 people on board, including two Frenchwomen and two children, aged about five. They were flung into the water.

One woman flung her baby into the water and dived in after it. She was a strong swimmer, and after picking up the child she made off to one of the lifeboats.

In the stockhold had been a Pioneer Corps C.Q.M.S., who dashed to the side of a French woman and her eight-year-old child.

"I helped them up the stairs," he said, "but it was a terrible job. Steam was pouring down on us and we had to hold handkerchiefs to our faces to save them from being burned."

"I got the mother and child into a lifeboat and then was forced in myself."

He added: "The heroism of two officers is something I shall not forget. One was the sixty-nine-year-old Town Major of Dieppe, Colonel Tromlin."

Calmly Waited

"He stood apart from the men hurrying to leave the ship. He could not swim and so he lit a cigarette and calmly awaited death."

Signalman J. McMyler, of the Royal Corps of Signals, said: "As the ship sank by the bows, men were clinging to the propeller, singing 'Roll Out the Barrel.' The boat I was in tried to get to them, but it could not get there before the propeller disappeared."

"I was two yards from the hatch when the explosion occurred, and was knocked to the deck," said Lieutenant R. Haynes, of the A.M.P.C. "As I lay there waiting for the debris to fall I began to pray."

"It must have been only seconds, but it seemed like ages, and I prayed like hell."

"Then I felt a blow on the back. A rifle had hit me. I was glad it was not a Bren gun."

Two Church Army sisters, who were put aboard the Lancastria after being bombed in a lorry dash to the coast, said:

"We got into a lifeboat, and as we moved away from the ship's side soldiers looking through a porthole saw we were wearing lifebelts."

Pilot Captured

"They shouted 'Give us a chance,' and we took off the belts and flung them into the sea. The soldiers jumped in after them."

"R.A.F. planes which sped to the scene dropped lifebelts among the struggling soldiers."

One soldier who had been blinded by the force of the first explosion was led along to the ship's hospital. Just as the doctor was attending to him a second bomb exploded, killing all those in the hospital, including the doctor.

A soldier swam to a boat with a young girl whose legs had been broken. She died on a rescue ship.

One Belgian mother, who had walked half across France, was reunited with her three children in a rescue boat after being three hours in the water.

The captain, Commander Sharpe, of Wallasey, Cheshire, was saved.

It is believed that a plane shot down later by a British vessel was one of those which bombed the liner. The pilot was captured.



Kay Francis, appearing as Deanna Durbin's mother in Universal's "It's a Date," coming to-morrow to the King's Theatre.

AIRMAN BURIED AS SON BORN

A flight-sergeant in the R.A.F. and his wife were looking forward to the birth of their baby, due to arrive on the first anniversary of their wedding.

But baby was late. He was born on the day of his father's funeral.

The parents of the baby were Flight-Sergeant Instructor Roy Nelson and Mrs. Leta Nelson, aged twenty-two, of Trafalgar Terrace, Darlington.

By a coincidence, Mrs. Nelson's father died the same day.

Mrs. Nelson told a reporter: "My husband was looking forward so much to having a son. In his last letter he sent a kiss from 'Daddy to baby.'"

"He always seemed to be sure we would have a boy. He even chose the name for him, Brian Lewis. Now I am going to add my husband's name, so baby will be christened Brian Roy Lewis."

FIJI'S BOMBER FUND

MORE GIFTS CONTINUE TO REACH ENGLAND FROM ALL PARTS OF THE EMPIRE, AND SOME OF THE LATEST COME FROM FIJI.

At Suva, the capital, Europeans, Indians, Chinese and other nationals joined with the Fijians in a carnival, as a result of which the Governor has sent £5,000—part of the proceeds—to the Red Cross and St. John's Ambulance Fund.

Gifts for this fund so far received from Fiji total £11,500.

The Fiji bomber fund now stands at £57,500.

The Fiji fund for London air-raid relief now stands at £1,300.

All in all, an imposing array of gifts from this small possession in the Pacific.—Reuter.

WOMAN DEAD, MAN STARVING

A man was taken to hospital in a weak condition, believed to be due to lack of food after his sister had been found dead in bed.

The woman was Dorothy May Keene, a spinster, aged forty-seven, of Elmton Avenue, Shirley, Southampton.

When a friend called, the brother, Leslie Owen Keene, aged thirty-eight, asked him to see if he could "wake up" his sister. The visitor found Miss Keene dead.

CHINA MAIL

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THE REAL WAR

There is one attribute of the British people which Hitler has judged with approximate accuracy. We are not a naturally belligerent people. We have enjoyed so great a measure of freedom in our way of thinking and living that we are apt to take a benevolent view of the outside world with which we have wished to remain in peace and friendship.

It may be difficult even in wartime to rid ourselves entirely of this tendency. We are well aware that every Briton worth the name detests Nazism as a loathsome tyrannous conception. We are resolved to fight it until either the Nazis or we are extinguished. There is no middle course.

And yet when invasion is threatened and does not immediately take place we are inclined as a people—and this excludes the Fighting Forces—to get off our toes and relax: to allow secondary matters to take possession of our thoughts.

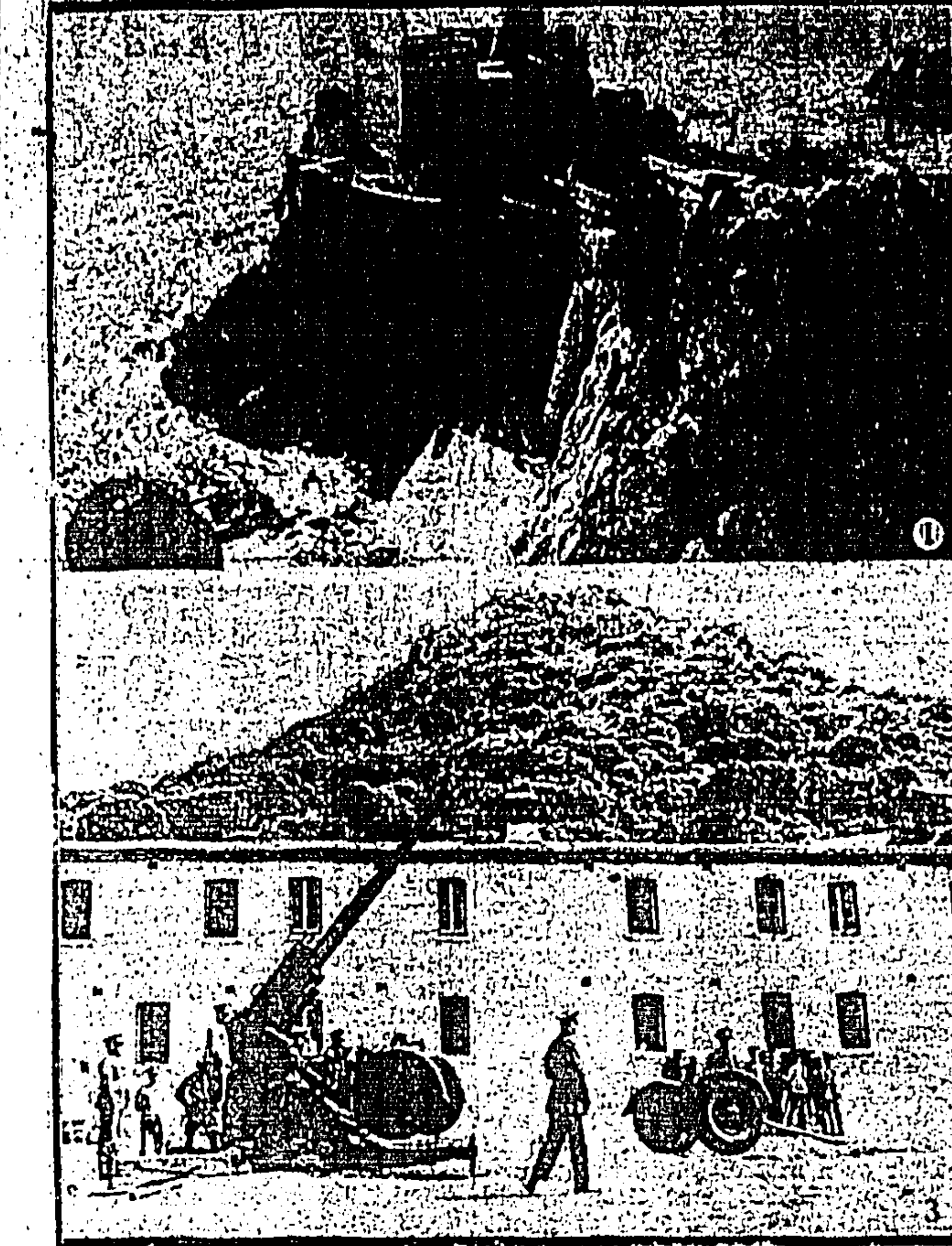
It may be typical of our race, but it is also dangerous. The Prime Minister has found it necessary to repeat to the nation that invasion, which seemed so near when France collapsed, is not less likely today.

The brilliant successes of the R.A.F. against mass enemy air attacks may have again induced a fatal mood of relaxation. It should be dispelled by the recent words of the Secretary for War, Mr. Eden reminded the country that for us the real war has hardly begun. It will begin when we have resisted and destroyed the enemy attempts to invade us, when we have built an expeditionary force of a strength and striking power sufficient to roll back the enemy from the lands he has violated.

A RIDDLE FOR NAZIS

Even the good Nazi—that is, the purblind fanatic who gives the credence of the slave mind to everything handed out to him by Goebbels—must have a faint glimmering of suspicion that all is not well with the German Air Force.

It is doubtful if he has enough of independent thinking left to tot up the scores of British aircraft which Goebbels destroys. But the effect of these fantastic figures may be to cause him to wonder how it is that since the

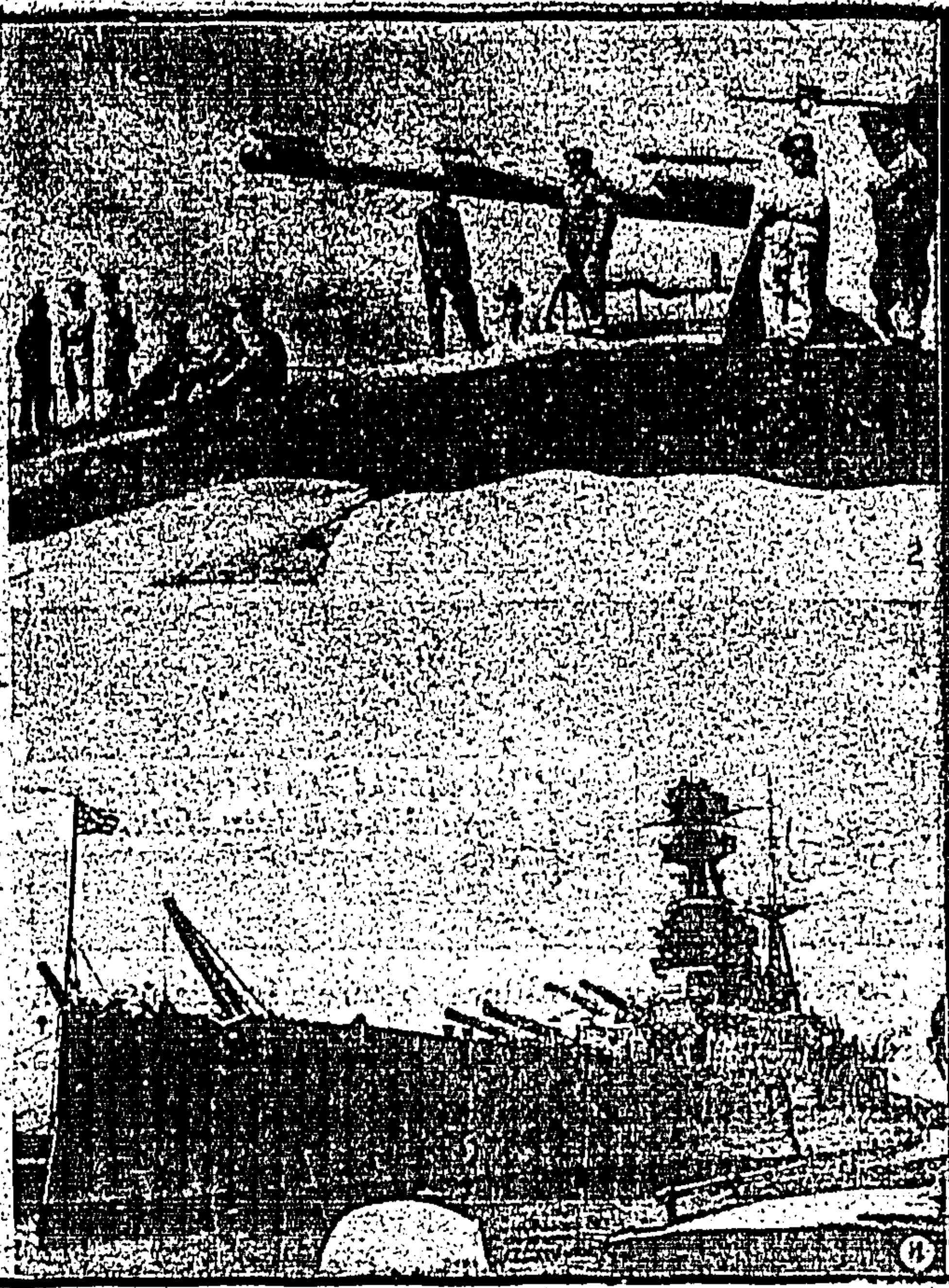


No. 1. A corner of Gibraltar, our Mediterranean stronghold.

No. 2. Men of the British Army ready to man a big gun at Gibraltar.

No. 3. One of the 3.7 anti-aircraft guns on guard.

No. 4. H.M.S. "Ramillies", one of the battleships of the Mediterranean Fleet, in dock at Gibraltar.



Key To The Mediterranean

Gibraltar, Britain's Naval Key to the Western Mediterranean, has recently been subjected to bombing attacks which its anti-aircraft defences repelled successfully. With the same success British guns on Gibraltar have fired on enemy fleets during the last two hundred years.

A natural fortress, rising sheer from the sea on three sides to a height of over 1,400 feet, it is practically inaccessible except on its more gradual western slope, which is protected by the defences of the Town, Dockyards and Harbour. Above these are nine-inch guns, (as shown in Picture 2) overlooking Algeiras Bay towards Tarifa, where the Moors first landed in the eighth century. The Moors attacked and captured "Calpe," as it was then called, from the land side under Tarik, who named it "Gibel Tarik" (Tarik's Hill) which has become "Gibraltar."

But if any would-be aggressor thinks he can capture the "Rock" today from the sandy isthmus

British Air Force has been swept from the skies—just as the Royal Navy, as every Nazi knows, has been driven from the oceans—"those devils of the R.A.F." as an exasperated German officer called them, persist in doing such damage every night to military objectives in Germany and the occupied countries.

If the British Air Force is beaten how can it continue to function with such destructive effect? Here is a riddle which will tax the mental agility of the unscrupulous Goebbels. Not all the miracles of multiplication which his accountants perform on the losses of our aircraft nor their equally marvellous division of the German machines tumbled out of the skies by our airmen can answer this irritating question. The good Nazi must be beginning to shake his bewildered head.

leading from the custom's barrier at La Linea along the causeway to the "North Front" he would get a rude surprise. For this only level part of the whole promontory is the most highly defended of all, lying as it does under the fire of batteries cunningly hidden in the steep cliffs above, where the famous "Galleries" were cut through the rock during the "Great Siege" of 1779 to 1783, and still afford excellent cover and air-raid protection. Here also are the rain-water catchways and storage tanks, so that there is no danger of water shortage even in the event of a modern siege.

The entire "Rock" now bristles with coastal batteries, (Picture 1), which have been built or converted from old forts—on every rocky point and corner of the promontory. Any attacking Fleet would have to run the gauntlet of formidable coastal batteries before reaching the inner Harbour.

The invincibility of Gibraltar has been proved throughout its history, although it surrendered during the war of the Spanish Succession to the combined English and Dutch fleets under Sir George Roke and the Prince of Hesse-Darmstadt in 1704. It was finally ceded to Great Britain by the Treaty of Utrecht in 1713. Since then covetous eyes have frequently been cast at Gibraltar, and attempts have been made to take it by arms or diplomacy. The elder Pitt is said to have contemplated exchanging it for Florida or Puerto Rico, but popular feeling was too strong to allow it.

During the Napoleonic Wars it was invaluable as a Naval base, with its Dockyards affording repairs and supplies to the Fleet, and it was to Gibraltar that the body of Lord Nelson was brought after his death and victory at Trafalgar. To this day the room may be seen where he lay in the eighteenth century house by Ross Bay. The guns of many famous British sea-Captains and Admirals have been heard from Gibraltar—Drake, Howard of Effingham, Blake, Howe, Rooke and many more.

Economically Gibraltar is somewhat hard-hit, as her main revenue is derived from port and harbour dues, Crown rents, and duties on tobacco and alcohol imported for home consumption. This is, of course, largely curtailed as Gibraltar is now just a fortress, with the defence of the "Rock" overshadowing all other considerations. It was, however, one of the ports for contraband trade, and all ships passing in and out of the Western Mediterranean had to call there.

It was not protected by the British Fleet supplies might be difficult in war-time as all fresh fruit, meat and vegetables are imported either from Spain or

Morocco, for the "Rock" itself is too small and barren to be cultivated, although it has luxuriant vegetation in places.

The climate is sub-tropical, the heat in summer and when the East wind or "Levanter" blows being oppressive and damp. But the spring, winter and autumn are delightful, in spite of a heavy rainfall, and thanks to the sanitary improvements of the last fifty years the death rate stands comparison with that of England.

Of limestone formation, the "Rock" is rich in natural defences such as cave sand tunnels, in which the fossils of many mammals have been discovered, the "Rock Apes" being said to have come by an underground tunnel from Africa. Although the soil is of a rocky nature (as seen in Picture 3) it abounds with wild

flowers, ferns and shrubs—one plant, the "Iberis" being peculiar to Gibraltar—while palm-trees, monkey-trees and other sub-tropical vegetation flourish in the Alameda Gardens, and in a few squares and streets. The streets themselves are well-known for their highly-coloured shop-fronts, chiefly Indian bazaars, with a few old Spanish "curio" shops full of rusty treasures.

Such is Gibraltar, the Western gateway to the Mediterranean, first traded with by the Phoenicians, Carthaginians and Greeks, then colonised by the Romans, captured by the Moors, re-taken by the Spaniards under Ferdinand and Isabella of Spain, surrendered to Britain in 1704, who has since held it to guard the Straits of Gibraltar in peace and war, as a bulwark to defend her Empire.

Child Evacuees Thrive

The half million children moved from danger zones under the British Government scheme are thriving on the minor revolution which evacuation has brought into their lives. Every report made by the education authorities or by officials of the Ministry of Health emphasises the same thing: "an amazing improvement in health all round."

The mass exodus has done more than place the children in safer areas. It is broadening their outlook in a way which would have

By Daphne Clare

been impossible under peace conditions. It is introducing them to the countryside, to new people, new ways of living, new ideas, new customs. Though not of the best book kind, this is education. Education of a very valuable kind. Most of these children were from big towns—some of them did not know what an egg looked like.

Now they are learning the infinite delights of spring and summer woods, of the meadows and sweet-smelling hayfields. Their new country friends are teaching them country ways and customs: always to close a gate after you so that the "stock" will not wander; not to trample on the crops because damage to them means wasted food. For the first time in their lives they are learning, and, first hand, how much every community owes to the land and the farmers.

All these lessons they have shown themselves quick to learn.

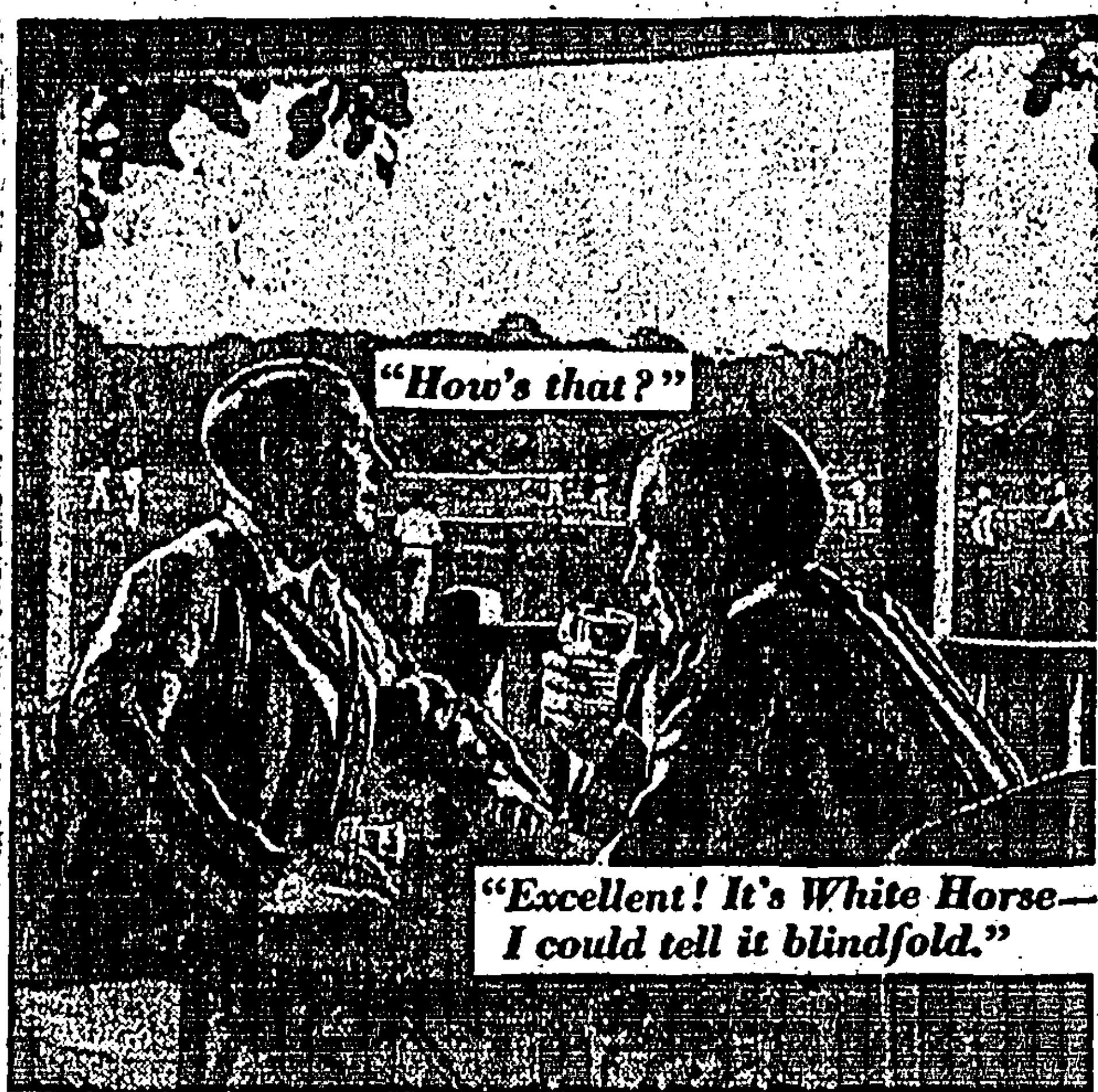
For the English town child is adaptable and takes a keen interest in every activity.

They are helping with the harvest, have learned to milk cows, churn butter, feed animals, ride the farm horses. They are helping to dig potatoes and gather in the fruit crops. They pull sugar beet, gather acorns for fodder and gather, wash and grade the eggs for market. Where there are rivers or lakes many have learned to fish, to manage sailing boats and rowing boats.

Frequently they run allotments. One school took over ½-acre of rough land and in the first season produced enough vegetables to feed everybody. The same school got hold of a barn where the boys saw logs and do carpentry, while the girls have a class where they mend and make clothes, knit socks and jumpers and mend their own stockings and the boys' socks. They made the uniforms for the entire company of their own girl guides.

In their turn the town children and their teachers have brought a new stimulus into the village life. London schools, for instance, have the advantages of highly trained teachers and in some cases equipment which the country school would not have at its disposal.

The use of films is a notable example. Town schools are generally ahead of village schools in using the good supply of films available on many subjects, and 120 projectors have gone out with evacuated London schools, and over 3,500 films have been sent out from the films library—about 300 a week. A London teacher using them for his class has often made the country teacher realise what he has been missing.



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BRITAIN INTENDS FULL BLOCKADE OF GERMANY

THE MINISTER of Economic Warfare spoke of the successful work of his Department yesterday when addressing a National Defence and Public Interests Committee.

The blockade, Mr. Dalton said, had achieved remarkable success in the first year of war.

Both Germany and Italy were seriously deficient in such key commodities as oil, ferro alloys, rubber, lead, copper, textiles, without which it was impossible to carry on modern war. Although Germany benefited from the loot she obtained from conquered territory, the advantage was only temporary and was offset by the loss in substantial imports she formerly received from the occupied countries which were now the subject of blockade. Stocks thus seized, though larger than he liked, were not large enough to add more than some months' supply to the enemy's resources.

Speaking of surpluses, the Minister said he was sure that certain neutral countries would understand it was contrary both to their own interests and to the policy of H.M.G. that they should accumulate large stocks of goods needed by the enemy and he added that a Committee of Ministers had completed an exhaustive survey of the principal areas affected and also of the principal commodities of which large surpluses exist.

Clear Policy

"The lines of policy to be pursued are clear. To succeed fully, they require the effective co-operation of a number of countries, notably the British Commonwealth, U.S.A. and the Latin-American Republics.

I see in this development the beginning of economic planning on a world-wide scale. How much more hopeful such a prospect seems than all the futile fantasies of Dr. Funk."

Speaking of the enemy's oil supplies, which he described as the "key commodity," Mr. Dalton reminded his audience that the German war effort in 1918 died out when oil supplies had fallen to one million tons. To-day's powerful, highly-integrated but brittle Nazi economy would have a much higher die-out figure.

Mr. Dalton added that his experts told him that the Germans had now nearly exhausted the oil stocks they captured in the occupied territories.

Turning to the European food situation, the Minister said that in Europe as a whole there would be no famine this winter and there was enough food to go round if properly shared out. Although he had given much thought to the subject and had the benefit of much expert advice, he had been unable to discover a satisfactory watertight scheme which guarantees against food imports into any part of ensaved Europe finding its way into Nazi bellies.

The Test

Proposals to relax the blockade seemed to him exceedingly untimely and, Mr. Dalton added: "Night after night German airmen scatter bombs, many indiscriminately, over London and other parts of our country. They return after killing and maiming our women and children to enjoy excellent breakfasts in German Air Force messes just across the Channel in occupied France, Belgium and Holland. They feed on food stolen from the French, Belgians and Dutch.

Why should we put more food into the occupied countries for them to steal? Why should we, fighting for our lives, and still exercising command of the sea routes, be expected to provide better meals for these Nazi fly-by-nights? — British Wireless.

SIX-HOUR TOUR OF RAID SHELTERS

Sir Edward Evans, one of the regional Civil Defence Commissioners for London, on Tuesday night paid visits, extending over six hours to a number of air raid shelters in London. He had long talks with the occupants of the shelters and with the Wardens and Shelter Marshals. — British Wireless.

CHATTER CAUSE OF MURDER BID

THE PROSECUTING SOLICITOR IN A CASE OF ALLEGED ATTEMPTED MURDER AT STOCKTON-ON-TEES SAID OF CHATTERBUGS WHO TOLD THE ACCUSED WOMAN WHAT WOULD HAPPEN WHEN THE GERMANS ARRIVED:—

"These women would be dealt with if only we could get hold of them and bring them to this court."

Before the Court was Rose Wood, thirty-five, of Swainby Road, Stockton, who was sent for trial accused of the attempted murder of her three children by coal gas poisoning.

Prosecuting, Mr. T. Jackson described it as a pathetic and distressing case. He said: "It appears this woman has been in a very neurotic and nervous state, and there have been certain chatterbugs telling her what would happen when the Germans arrived here."

INDIAN GUNNERS MISSING

Two men of the H.K.-Singapore Brigade, R.A., who have been missing since Monday, have been posted as deserters. They are Badahur Khan and Zahoor Mohammed Ahmed.

MAID KISSED BY NAZI FLYER

A GERMAN AIRMAN of eighteen landed by parachute—and kissed a maid's hand. This is how it happened.

The raid was over a south-western district. The maid, Mavis Young, nineteen, was sheltering in a dug-out when she remembered that she had left a gas-iron on. Ignoring machine-gun fire and explosions, she left the shelter to turn off the iron. Then the airman landed almost beside her.

He was one of a bomber crew of four. One was killed and the others taken prisoner.

Mrs. le Bailly, wife of Major R. E. le Bailly, said: "I had told Mavis and her brother Roy, the gardener's boy, that they had better go into the shelter and then I went indoors to tell my husband."

"As I came out I saw the airman come down almost on the sundial, outside the dining-room window."

"The maid and the boy followed me as I approached the airman."

"He was shaken. He was only about eighteen, and a good-looking boy."

"My maid and the gardener's boy helped to prop him up against the wall, and I sent the maid for some whisky."

Very Grateful

"She brought it and gave it to the airman. He could not drink at first, but Mavis put her hand behind his head and forced the whisky down his throat."

"He said 'Thank you,' and took hold of her hand and kissed it."

"He really was very grateful. Mr. Weston, the schoolmaster—the school is opposite us—took charge of him. I telephoned the police and told them what had happened."

"Mavis belongs to the district. She is nineteen, and a very sensible girl. She was not unduly excited at the experience."

Captain F. E. D. Guise, platoon commander in the Home Guard, said he and his men saw the bomber coming down with the

THIS BED WILL BE A BLOW

Invention of an air-conditioned bed with a dial which enables the occupant to fill it with hot or cold breezes is announced in U.S.A.

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Icy air will then sweep through the bed, causing the occupant to leap out to avoid being frozen.

GERMANY WON'T FREE PRISONERS

A plea for the release of French prisoners of war in Germany is described by Germany as "unprecedented impertinence."

An official announcement states: "The French people seem to have utterly misunderstood the manner in which Germany has been treating the French people. They seem to have forgotten that after the World War it took years and not weeks before France began releasing German prisoners."

"They should remember this before making inopportune demands in the midst of war." — Reuter.

In Hell Of A State

The airman was very shaky, and the Home Guard helped the man take off his parachute harness. "He was in a hell of a state," said Captain Guise, "and evidently believed he was going to be 'bumped off.'"

"When my man gave him a cigarette, however, he cheered up wonderfully."

"Another airman," said Captain Guise, "came down practically on top of the house of one of our section commanders. He was not noticed, however, until six of our men came upon his parachute."

"Captain G. Butler, our company commander, looked through the hedge and saw a track leading through the wheat."

"He at once said 'Let's take a look at this,' and in a few yards or so another airman, a mere boy like the rest, came out from behind a hedge and put his hands up."

"He seemed very frightened—he was about seventeen or eighteen. I think the Germans must have told their people that we ill-treat or killed our prisoners—but he soon cheered up, too, when we gave him a cigarette."

HIGH ENGLISH MORALE IN AIR RAIDS

THE SUPERB CONFIDENCE and cheerfulness of people at home were continually stressed by Dr. Winifred C. Cullis in an interview in Shanghai this week. Dr. Cullis, an eminent English physiological professor, is at present in Shanghai on a tour of the Far East for the Ministry of Information. She has come to lecture on the valuable work being done by women at home, and to tell of some general aspects of life in England.

Professor Cullis, who travelled extensively through England before leaving five weeks ago, was everywhere struck by the "rock-like" confidence of the people in the face of danger.

"The more trouble that comes, the higher the spirit of the people seems to rise," she said. "The moral at home is unbreakable, and everywhere, despite the many tragedies that are occurring, the atmosphere is one of cheerfulness." In the course of the interview she gave many examples of the courage and fortitude with which England is facing the present crisis, no doubt being expressed that Britain will eventually come out on top.

Dr. Cullis told of the surprise she felt when in America of the lack of belief in British confidence, and ability to hold out. The attitude of the Americans seemed to be, she said, that what news came out of England on the course of the war was minimised as much as possible, the result being that American newspapers grossly exaggerated small incidents.

On one occasion, she said, she was talking to a young American, who seemed sceptical of the small damage being done in the air raids. He showed her a headline in one paper, reading, "English City Devastated by Aerial Bombs."

She made the young man read the opening paragraphs of the story, and it came out that what had really happened was that a row of eight alum cottages had been knocked down, with the loss of two lives.

Air Ministry Figures Accurate

One point that Dr. Cullis emphasised was that Air Ministry figures for the result of aerial battles with the Nazis are absolutely accurate. In America, she said, the general opinion was that they are more accurate than the German estimates, but she dismissed this as ridiculous, as there can be no doubt of the authenticity of the figures. A friend of hers in England, who saw one of the earlier mass raids on a coastal town, described it as a "game of skittles" once the British fighters came on the scene. German planes were shot down one after another, with few British losses.

The individual superiority of British pilots is unquestionable, she said, and once parity with the Nazis in actual numbers of planes is established, this will become even more apparent. Dr. Cullis recalled talking to an R.A.F. pilot about the poor aim of the German bombers. The pilot ascribed this to lack of training in navigation. R.A.F. men received a long training course, with considerable opportunities for practice, whereas the German pilots are quickly put into the air with little practice, due to the shortage of gasoline in Germany. Once, she said, she was in Cardiff, and went through four air raids in a day and night. On the next morning, a German communiqué announced that Bristol had been heavily bombed, and large portions of the city wiped out.

R.A.F. Tactics

The organisation of R.A.F. tactics has been brought to a very high degree. Methods of dealing with enemy aircraft so as to cause the minimum of damage to areas below the raiders have been worked out, and are successfully put into operation time and time again. An example of this was given by the Professor while in a town in Scotland an air raid warning was given, and R.A.F. fighters went up. The German bomber, which was out at sea attacking some travellers, on which she dropped all her bombs, was driven inland by a number of Spitfires. Two other Spitfires were

seen streaking out to sea again, apparently in the wrong direction. The plan, however, soon came to light, as when the bomber again turned for home, she was intercepted and brought down by these two fighters.

The attitude of people at home is one of calmness and cheerfulness, she said, little vicissitudes being shown at the time she left. Among those returning from the Dunkirk evacuation, however, there was a spirit of venom.

Stories told by some of these men indicated the ruthlessness of the German methods in Europe. It was a frequent sight to see German tanks passing over wounded and helpless refugees.

Invaluable Work

The work of women in the present conflict is invaluable, stated Dr. Cullis. The women's Volunteer Service, which has a membership of 600,000, with only 57 paid officials, does extremely useful work in connection with the forces, such as nursing and catering. Another extremely useful side of women's activities, and one seldom mentioned, is the service women who receive evacuated children are performing. Often overworked, and with large families, these women are undertaking their task without complaint. The contact between town children and country children is valuable to both, and a greater understanding is coming about between the two classes.

PRISONER GETS A DIVORCE

NOW A PRISONER OF WAR, MAJOR HORACE KENYON HARDCASTLE, A LONDON SOLICITOR, WAS GRANTED A DECREE NISI BY MR. JUSTICE BUCKNILL IN THE DIVORCE COURT.

His evidence, which had been taken on affidavit before he went to France, was read to the Court.

Major Hardcastle charged his wife, Muriel Mary Helen Hardcastle, with adultery with the co-respondent, Mr. Henry Booker, and the petition was not contested.



Gene Raymond and Wendy Barrie provide an exemplification of high hilarity in this specially posed picture. They continue this mood in their co-starring romantic comedy "Cross Country Romance," which has to do with events in an automobile trailer. Showing at the Queen's Theatre.

HANG IT UP

A seaman, thrown into the water when the Lancastria went down, found himself near a soldier who was still wearing his tin hat, and the following "conversation" followed:

Soldier: "Can you swim, mate?"

Sailor: "No, can you?"

"No. (Brief pause.) What shall I do with my tin hat?"

"Get rid of it."

"How?"

"Hang it up."

LESSON FOR ITALY

Admiral Cunningham's bombardment of the Italian concentration on the Libyan frontier was a useful reminder of the influence that the Navy can exert on any land operations along the North African littoral.

If the Admiral maintains his pressure on the Italian troops, as he certainly may be expected to do, Marshal Graziani will find himself compelled to call the Italian Fleet to his help—and no move could be more desirable from our point of view.

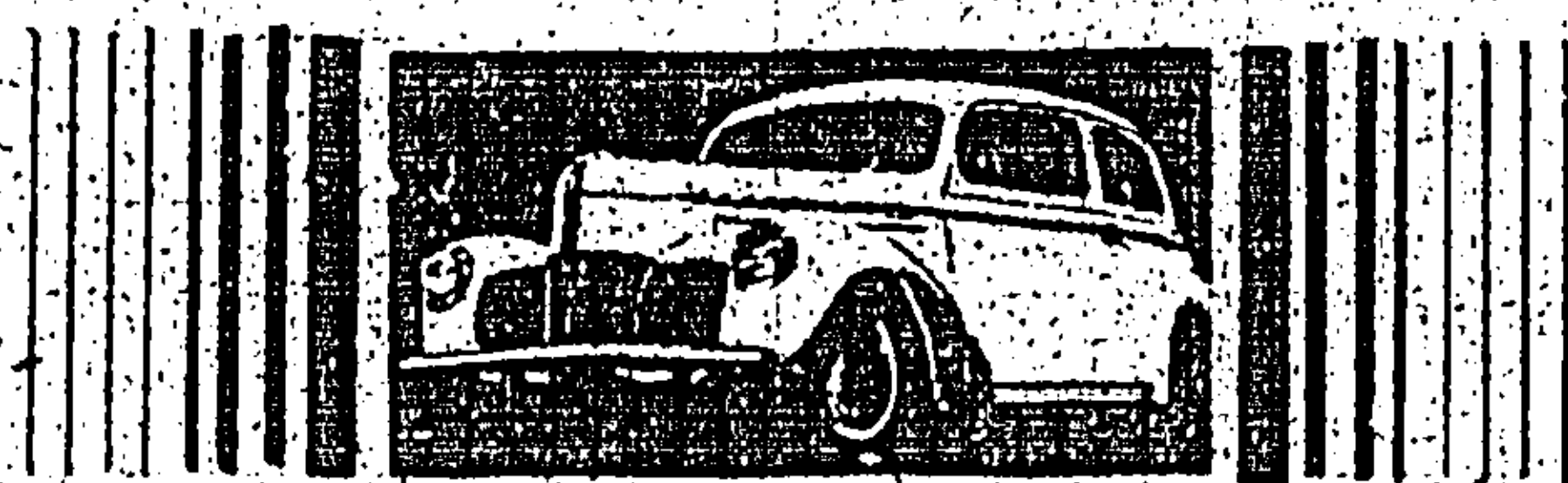
After all that the Italians have been told by Mussolini about the ability of his Air Force to deny all movements by the British fleet in the Mediterranean, Admiral Cunningham's undisturbed bombardment of the Fort Capuzzo positions will require a good deal of explanation.

Marshal Graziani must be coming to realise that unless the British Mediterranean Fleet can be nullified it will harass his flanks from the sea continuously during any attempt he makes to advance along the coastal road in the direction of Alexandria. Yet on his other flank the desert makes escape from the sea menace impossible.

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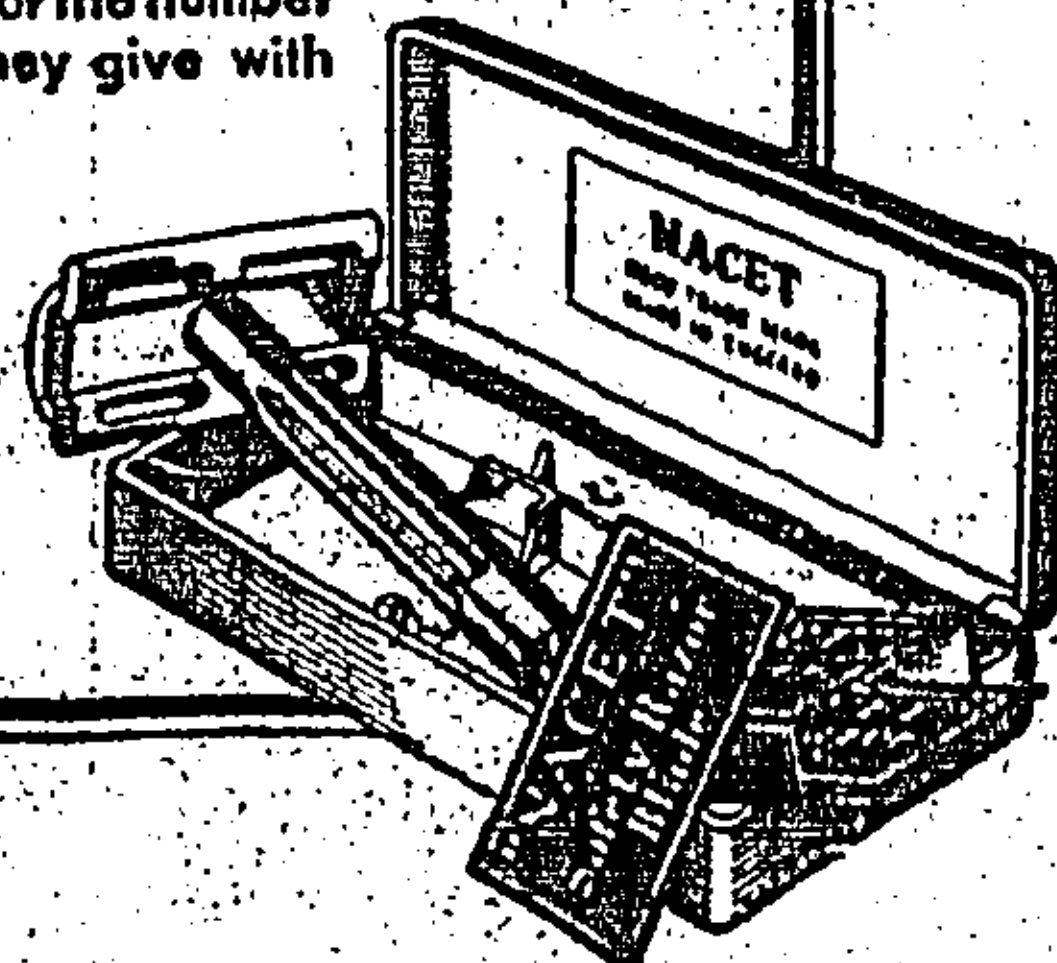
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♠ A 9 5	♥ K 10 7	♦ 4 3	♣ 10 7 4
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♠ A Q	♥ A Q	♦ A Q	♣ A Q

The bidding:
South West North East
1♦ Pass 1♠ Pass
1NT Pass 3NT Pass

West opened the four of hearts, dummy ducked, and East won with the Jack. The Queen of hearts then knocked out dummy's Ace, and South ran four diamonds and cashed the Ace and Queen of clubs. Then he led a spade, but West hopped up with the spade-Ace and ran the rest of his hearts to defeat the contract.

Where did South slip? Decide for yourself before reading on. South slipped at the very first trick; he should have won with the heart Ace at once! If the hearts were 4-3, they were not dangerous; if they were 5-2, East had two blank honours. That was evident, for otherwise West's suit was headed by three honours — in which case the opening lead would have been an honour.

By winning the first trick, South would have blocked the suit. When West eventually got the spade Ace, he could lead a low heart but East would win and be unable to continue; or West could lead the heart King and ten, but then South's nine would stop the suit.

Yesterday you were Oswald Jacoby's partner, and, win neither side vulnerable, you held:

♠ K Q 8 4	♥ A 5	♦ J 9 5	♣ K 7 6 3
♠ 10	♥ Pass	♦ 1♠	♣ Pass
1NT	Pass	(?)	

ANSWER: Bid three no-trump. Your hand, opposite an opening bid, should produce a game. You must bid it yourself, since your partner's weak rebid indicates he may be unable to accept a mere invitation.

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What do you bid? (Answer tomorrow.)

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YOU'VE GOT TO TACKLE THIS, ADOLF

A BRITISH SOLDIER, furiously cycling into a lonely farmyard with a message that enemy parachutists had landed two or three miles away, sent powerful defence forces into action in the Southern Coastal Defence area.

A shouted order from somewhere in the farmyard brought men of the Black Watch running to their action stations (writes a special correspondent), and in a few minutes a long line of armed cyclists sped down roads towards the objective.

An airfield was supposed to be in enemy hands, and the cyclist's message and swift movement that followed were part of the constant practice of defence.

For more than an hour a strange, bloodless warfare clattered among the quiet hills.

Bren Gun carriers dashed noisily behind the cyclists. Big buses crept out of camouflaged shelters and roared away, crammed with men. Beside a railway cutting a mile away khaki figures loped along in Indian file and vanished stealthily into a wood.

The enemy had posted men along the road skirting the airfield. Two of them lay in the hedge with rifles ready. They were sturdy Scots.

The flat acres of this pretended airfield had put forth a fantastic crop of broken-down cars and lorries.

Secret Devices

Among them, the Bren carriers, advancing from two directions, quartered the ground like questing terriers. Two strong forces of the Black Watch suddenly emerged.

STUDENT CANNOT KNEEL: GETS £1,100

Donald Mozart Thomas Richards, a divinity student at Swansea University College, was awarded £1,100 damages at Swansea Assizes for injuries received in a road accident.

His injuries, it was stated, prevented him from kneeling, and he would be unable to enter the Church.

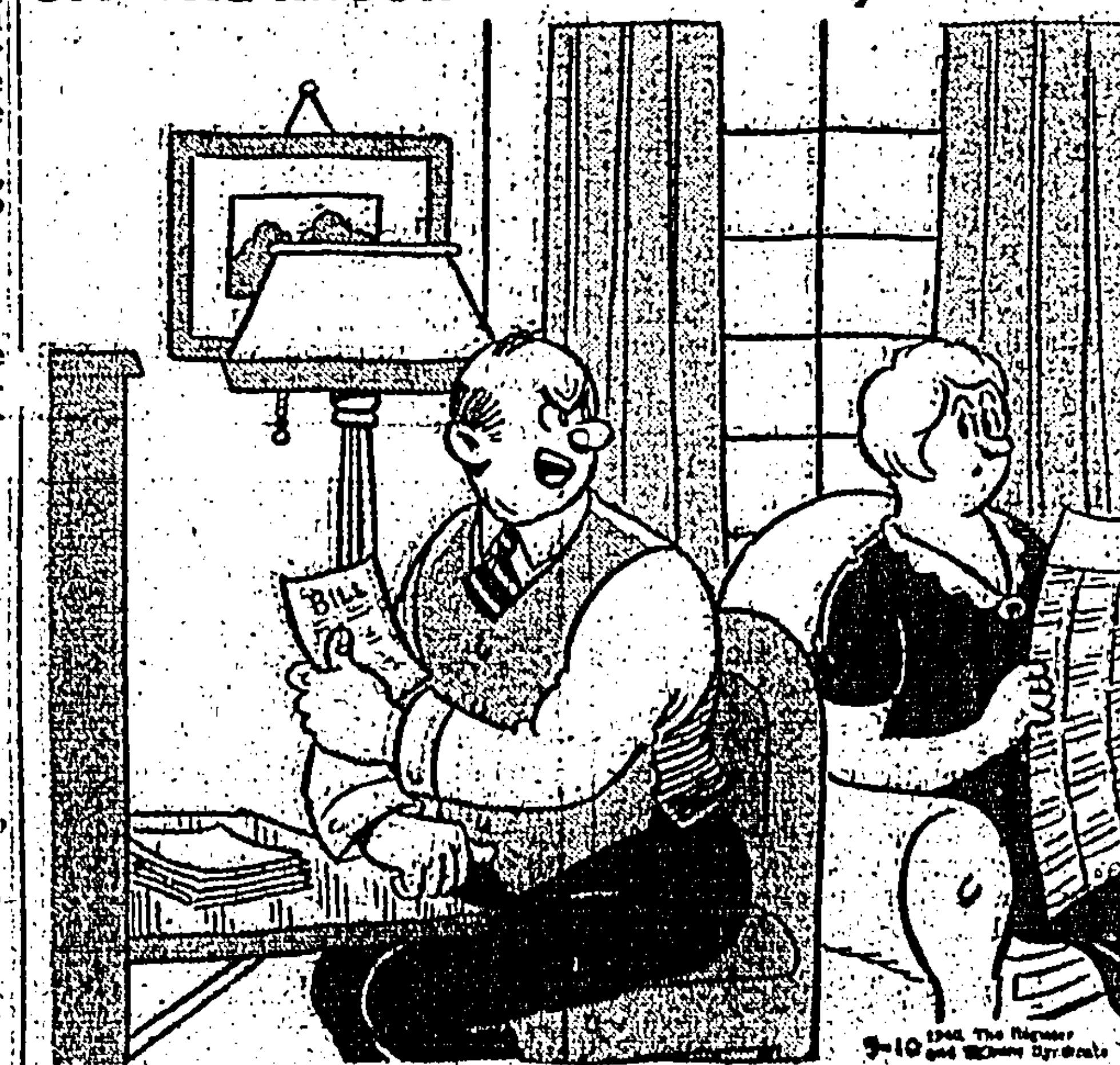
TWINS SERVE TOGETHER IN ARMY

Mr. Ernest Bevin, Minister of Labour, announced in the House of Commons that twins would, if possible, be called up in the same unit if they notified their wish beforehand and there was no material difference in qualifications and medical categories.

The same would apply to triplets.

OFF THE RECORD

By ED REED.



"You gotta quit trying to sneak nylon stockings in with my bal-balls!"

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Bringing Up Father

By George MacManus



A PAGE FOR WOMEN Good Speech

It is possible to have good speech and to speak with charm if one truly desires to correct unlovely speech habits. You must first study yourself and listen to yourself speak. Then you should listen long to a person who speaks very well — enunciates clearly, rhythmically, uses correct grammar, and has something to say! Use that person as a model and improve your voice and delivery.

In a new book, "Sing Your Way to Better Speech," Miss Gertrude Walsh stresses the importance of good posture. She writes: "There is a close relation between a flexibly erect posture and good speech. It is impossible to produce a full rich tone when your body is rigid or when you slump in the chest, or at the waistline. Your chest should always be held easily up and forward, as this helps to establish right conditions for the incoming breath, the very substance of which voice is made."

"Then, too, this posture suggests health and mental alertness, whereas slumps, either at the waistline or chest, may indicate indifference, carelessness, or illness. If you establish a line of balance in your body, keep your back straight, and your chest up and forward, your vital organs will have more space for correct functioning and a vacuum will be created for incoming breath. Such conditions, combined with freedom of the muscles around the throat, chest and shoulders, are basic for good voice and speech."

How To Breathe Correctly

—Once you have mastered good posture and attain it when you sit, walk, stand or dance, you should learn to breathe correctly, so the words you speak will come out of your mouth in full, rich tones, nicely spaced and adding to your poise. If you find your words stumbling out one after the other in a glibberish manner you might try to memorise these suggestions: As you breathe, enjoy the sensation that comes with the inflation of the torso.

Do not try to take too much breath at once.

Practice with ease at all times. Never try to control the outgoing breath. This will be taken care of naturally, if you faithfully practice voice exercises.

Make sure that you do not move your shoulders.

Occasionally yawn to get the sensation of an open mouth and throat.

Make sure that your tongue does not drop back in your mouth and block your tone passage.

Rest a little after every exercise.



An optimist thinks love will lead him along a path of roses for the duration of life.



Deanna Durbin is consistently conscious of good posture. Perhaps that is why she charms vast audiences whether she sings or merely acts in pictures.

The Quickest Beautifier

There is nothing in the world that will take the place of sleep as a beautifier, and especially sleep in the early part of the night.

There is good reason why the term "beauty rest" is applied to the hours before midnight, and pay no attention to the theorist who tells us that many people sleep too much. If you sleep in the fresh air, either outdoors or with your bedroom windows wide open, and with not too much covering, it is impossible to sleep too much! When your body and mind have rested adequately, you will find your eyes opening voluntarily to the daylight.

There is no beauty culture that can possibly be of value if you do not allow yourself sufficient sleep — and that applies to the young as well as to older women.

Children Need More Sleep

When children are very small they cry when they are tired and want to go to bed. That's before they can talk. When they know how to talk, they seem to say, "I don't want to go to bed" as their first complete sentence! They feel they are missing something, or they long for the pampering of those who raise them, and unconsciously they realise that when they are sleeping they will be alone, and not in the company of those whom they have learned to love and depend upon. Later, during

adolescence, it is quite usual for children to take an adamant stand and loudly refuse to go to bed. They argue that they do not need any more sleep than their parents. They long to go out and stay up until midnight. They yearn to be mature so that no longer will they be forced to obey their elders.

Wise parents, of course, insist on sufficient sleep for their adolescent child, despite protestations. During that period a girl needs nine, ten or eleven hours of sleep. It is better for her to retire early and to get up early, than to retire at a late hour and get up just before the school bus calls for her!

Explain to your child, that she cannot hope to be beautiful and strong and capable of attainment unless she gives her body the rest it needs for growth. If a girl has an acne condition, she should get much sleep, watch her meals and keep meticulous care of her skin. Frequently a nervous condition will cause a poor complexion and she should rest long enough to soothe her jumpy nerves.

Women's Needs

Women who work hard during the day and are called upon to go out during the evening, should definitely catch "forty winks" at the end of their working day — or at the end of any arduous day. It also pays to steal one day a month for complete relaxation. Stay in bed reading or dosing, don't answer the telephone, don't trouble to think. Simply rest.

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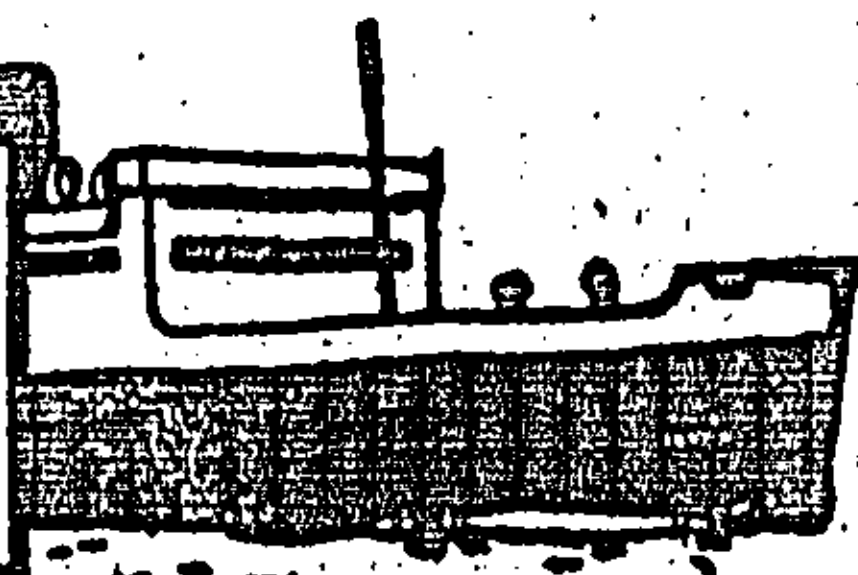
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SUNDAY

London and Straits

FOR DATE & TIME

OUTWARD MAILS THURSDAY

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G.P.O.

Reg. 5.00 p.m.
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Manila, Macassar and Surabaya 10.30 a.m.
Manila, Rabaul, Australia and New Zealand via Brisbane.
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Reg. (4/10) 8.45 a.m.

Ord. (4/10) 9.30 a.m.

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RADIO

12.15 p.m.—Short Service of Intercession.

12.30 p.m.—Compositions of Bach.

1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.02 p.m.—B.B.C. Recording—"Flying High"—Part II.

1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 p.m.—Moreton and Kaye (Two Pianos).

2.00 p.m.—Casani Club Orchestra.

2.15 p.m.—Close down.

6.00 p.m.—Mozart—Concerto in E Flat Major...Gieseking (Piano) with Orchestra.

6.32 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.34 p.m.—Light Opera Selections.

7.00 p.m.—Variety, with Les Allen, Carol Gibbons and Roy Friends, Pat Kirkwood with Jack Hyllton and some of his Boys, and Scott-Wood and his Six Swingers.

7.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 p.m.—Studio—A Recital by Capt. T. A. Thompson (Bass) with A. T. Lay at the Piano.

8.25 p.m.—Band of H. M. Royal Marines, Plymouth.

8.40 p.m.—Local Newsletter from the Studio.

9.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News and Topical Talks.

9.30 p.m.—Variety, with Sydney Gussard, Leslie Hutchinson, Cicely Courtneidge, Vic Oliver, and Billy Cotton's Band.

10.00 p.m.—Dance Music.

11.00 p.m.—Close down.



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GIRL, 15, AIDS IN CAPTURING NAZIS

BETTY BROWN, fifteen-year-old daughter of a farmer on the south-east coast, helped to capture two German airmen — an officer and a sergeant — when their plane crashed near her home.

She heard her mother cry for help and, racing downstairs wearing bedroom slippers, ran out towards the plane, which had come down about 100 yards away.

Then she saw that the airmen were not British, as she had thought, but German. They had managed to escape from the plane.

But she ran on.

At that moment a milkman and the foreman of the farm, who had a shotgun, appeared, and together they approached the airmen and disarmed them.

The girl, who is still at school, told a reporter:—

"I was not a bit frightened. The only thing that worried me was my bedroom slippers. They kept falling off my feet as I ran.

"When I heard my mother cry for help I thought the crashed plane was British. Then as I ran out to it I saw the two German airmen leaving it.

"I decided to go on, and when I was nearing them the foreman and a milkman ran up, too. The foreman had his shotgun, and the Germans handed over their revolvers without any trouble.

He Saluted

"Then we marched them off to await the Air Force people. I walked behind to see they did not try to escape."

The German machine had been shot down by British planes.

After being taken to a railway station by R.A.F. men, the captured officer saluted and shook hands with the W.A.A.F. driver who drove him away.

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It was a silly little quarrel, no more than a love tiff, but Mary was a proud one, and William wasn't going to say he was in the wrong. So they parted.

Way back in 1879 when William was twenty-three and Mary was nineteen.

When they met in the street in those prim Victorian days they passed each other with heads held high, they never spoke. Each felt the first move for reconciliation must come from the other.

And all the time they might have been walking arm-in-arm, happy through the years.

So William married a different woman, and Mary Anne a different man. But they never forgot the old days when they were sweethearts.

They raised families, watched their grandchildren grow up and marry, and saw great-grandchildren arrive.

Seven years ago William's wife died, and two years after that Mary was widowed.

They were lonely years for William and Mary, until they met again, met and became friends.

For, "I think we both knew that the old love was still there," said William, "so we started walking down Memory Lane."

They're married now. William Moore, aged eighty-four, to Mary Anne Reden, aged eighty, both of Manchester.

CAR STOLEN — FINE OWNER

A man who had his car stolen from his garage was fined £5 at Burton-on-Trent for not securing it during the hours of darkness.

It was the first case locally under the new proceedings, and the Mayor commented that it showed the importance of the order. The car, he said, could have been used by an alien for subversive purposes.

Dr. A. Sator, the defendant, said he regularly removed the rotary arm, but on this occasion it was early in the morning when the car was put in the garage.

In evidence it was stated that the garage doors were not locked. The car was later found by the police, having come into collision with a pillar.

A.P.H. SHOCKS M.P.S WITH BOOK TAX QUIP

MR. A. P. HERBERT shocked his fellow M.P.s when he told the House that literature was treated in the same way that we treat a thing which is kept under the bed. He was attacking the application of the Purchase Tax to books.

"It is a shocking thing at this time," he said, "when in this titanic conflict we are seeing arrayed on one side the spirit of force and on the other the forces of the spirit, that we should sink so low as to be seeking to treat all learning and enlightened literature in the same way as we treat a thing which is kept under the bed."

M.P.s looked deeply surprised and shocked. No one smiled. Great qualities such as generosity and tact had carried the Chancellor from one office to another with the goodwill of all and the hopes of many.

Did the Chancellor wish to limit the sale of Bibles and prayer-books? If he did he would go down in history as the first Chancellor to put a tax on the Word of God.

Sir Stanley Reed had said they did not want any new books and that they should take down the classics and the old books. That was what the French generals and the last Government said.

Answering Mr. Herbert, Captain Crookshank said there would be other opportunities of dealing with the Book Tax.

HOTELS TO BE GUARDED

Government departments in commandeered hotels in Blackpool are to have a special guard following the discovery of sabotage attempts by fire at one of the hotels.

Six fires within a short time have occurred in one hotel. Three of them were on successive days.

The Home Office, forensic laboratory was consulted. Investigations bore out suspicions of attempted arson.

The matter had been brought to the notice of the Emergency Committee for Civil Defence, and the Town Clerk, Mr. Trevor Jones, communicated with the Ministry of Home Security.

He stressed the importance of closer supervision and the need for protective arrangements generally for all Government premises in Blackpool.

GAOL FOR BOOSTING NAZI RADIO

"The real criminals responsible for this poison have not been brought to justice," said a Judge at the Old Bailey to an accountant found guilty of telling people the wavelength of a German propaganda radio station styling itself the New British Broadcasting Station.

The man—William Bruce Tomkins, aged twenty-seven, of Dy-sart Avenue, Kingston-on-Thames, Surrey—was sentenced to six months' imprisonment.

Referring to "foul lies" in literature, found in the possession of Tomkins, Mr. Justice Atkinson said:

"I ought to punish severely anyone who helps to spread this poison, but I cannot bring myself to punish with severity a humble tool such as you when the real criminals responsible for bringing into existence this poison have not been brought to justice."

Mr. L. L. A. Byrne, prosecuting, said that Tomkins had forty-one sticky-back labels giving the wavelength and times of broadcasting of the station.

It was alleged he told his landlady he was a follower of Sir Oswald Mosley, that he knew "Lord Haw-Haw," and had been introduced to Unity Mitford.

3 Months For Cafe Talk

Sentence of three months' imprisonment was passed on Samuel Herbert Hitchener Edward Milligan, aged thirty-nine, a painter, of East Dulwich Road, at West London Police Court for "endeavouring to cause disaffection in Private Hanson, of the Auxiliary Military Pioneer Corps."

Hanton said that during a conversation in a Brixton cafe, Milligan told him he had seen men arrive at Folkestone from Dunkirk. He said they were all young lads, and the police had up barricades so that the people could not see them.

"You are fools to fight. My friends won't fight. Go back and tell your mates," said Milligan. Milligan, who said he was chairman of Camberwell Trades Council, denied Hanson's story. He joined the Artillery when he was fourteen and served till 1923.

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BIG TRACK MEET NEXT WEEK

UNIVERSITY TO MEET LINGNAN

SEVENTEEN EVENTS for men and six for women are included on the programme for the athletic meeting between Hong Kong University and Lingnan University of Canton to be held at Caroline Hill on Monday, October 7, and Thursday, October 10.

Scoring will be on a 4-2-1 basis for individual events, 5-0 for relays, and 6-4-2 for the Pentathlon, an event included on the programme at the specific request of Lingnan. The Pentathlon will comprise the 200 metres, 1,500 metres, long jump, discus throw and javelin throw.

Lingnan will be represented in this even by Yu Mow-wai and Mau Hok-ming, and Hong Kong U. by C. Y. Ip and Frederick Kwai. Yu, of Lingnan, has a record of 2,200 points for the event, but Kwai, a newcomer from Shanghai, is considered a strong challenger.

An event that has not been included on the programme is the One Mile Run or its metric equivalent. It has not yet been decided if the running and hurdling events will be contested over yard or metric distances.

Hong Kong University will enter the competition the favourites by a good margin, though Lingnan, where much depends on the form of individual competitors, must not be under-rated.

Doubtful Starters

On the casualty list and doubtful starters at the moment are Chan Shiu-but, star long-jumper and hop-step-jumper from Lingnan, and Kaan Chee-kin, Hong Kong University's outstanding high-jumper. Both, it is understood, sustained injuries in practice for the meet.

The loss of Chan in the jumps, an event where the H.K.U. are particularly weak, may prove a serious blow to Lingnan, as the former Lingnan Middle School athlete and Kwangtung Provincial Champion in the triple jump, would be a certain winner in the events.

He will, however, be competing in the weight events, where he may be considered a challenger to Schiller and Derkach of H.K.U. in the Shot Put and Discus Throw.

Chan For Three Events?

Another probable winner for Lingnan is Chan Kwok-hung, who may complete in three events, the 400 and 800 metres and long jump, and is certain to take points in at last two. Clocking near 54 seconds in the 400 metres at his best and consistent at 56 seconds, he has, on present form, hardly a challenger from H.K.U.

Hong Kong University have a marked superiority on paper in only three events, the High and Low Hurdles and the Pole Vault. The ladies are an uncertain quantity, though Miss Beatrice Greaves of H.K.U. should win the long jump and come in well in the sprints, while Miss Chan Yuk-man of Lingnan, who has put the

SENIOR LEAGUE TITLE TO BE DECIDED TO-DAY

First Division of the Tennis League will probably be decided to-day when Chinese Recreation Club, present Champions, and the Indian Recreation Club, runners-up for the past few seasons, meet on the former's courts, Causeway Bay, commencing at 8 o'clock.

Both Clubs have hitherto not met with defeat and as the players seem to be very evenly matched, some close and interesting tennis should be witnessed.

The following teams have been selected—

C.R.C.—Tsun Wai Pul and Tsun Yui Pul; Paul Kong and Ho Ka Lau; Lu Tak Cheuk and Chan Tak Chan.
I.R.C.—S. A. Runjahn and R. D. Runjahn; O. Runjahn and A. M. A. Razack; A. H. Madar and A. R. Minu.

LEAGUE TENNIS

In "C" Division of the Tennis League, South China Athletic Association beat Club de Recreio by six sets to one at King's Park yesterday.

H. A. Bee and C. Lee (S.C.A.A.) drew with H. F. Gonsalves and A. E. Noronha 6-6
beat A. M. Silva and A. M. Alves 6-1
beat H. A. Noronha and G. H. Noronha 6-3
H. K. Ho and C. L. Lau (S.C.A.A.)
beat Silva and Alves 6-1
beat Noronha and Noronha 6-3
N. K. Ng and H. C. Kwok (S.C.A.A.)
drew with Gonsalves and Noronha 6-6
beat Silva and Alves 6-3
Two sets were not finished.

C.R.C. v A.T.C.

Chinese Recreation Club beat Army T. C. by nine sets to nil at Causeway Bay.
F. K. Lau and C. C. Chiu (C.R.C.)
beat Emerson and Duffield 6-2
beat Adam and Murray 6-2
beat Denyer and Stondr 6-0
Y. Y. Lam and W. K. Ma (C.R.C.)
beat Emerson and Duffield 6-2
beat Adam and Murray 6-0
beat Denyer and Stondr 6-4
Wei Chung and O. L. Pang (C.R.C.)
beat Emerson and Duffield 7-6
beat Adam and Murray 7-5
beat Denyer and Stondr 6-2

KOWLOON TONG WIN

At Kowloon Tong, the home team beat the University by seven sets to two.

MATCH POSTPONED

The match between the K.I.T.C. and Jewish R. C. was postponed.

League Table

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts.
C.R.C.	7	7	0	0	59	4	14
K.I.T.C.	7	6	0	1	42	20	12
S.C.A.A.	6	5	0	1	35 1/2	16 1/2	10
K.T.G.C.A.	8	5	0	3	43	29	10
C.D.R.	6	4	0	2	31	21	8
H.K.P.S.A.	6	3	0	3	27 1/2	26 1/2	6
H.K.U.T.C.	7	3	0	4	38	35	6
K.C.C.	7	2	1	4	24	39	5
A.T.C.	7	2	0	5	26	38	4
C.D.R.	9	1	1	7	24 1/2	56 1/2	3
C.B.A.	3	0	0	3	6	21	0
J.R.C.	5	0	0	5	2 1/2	42 1/2	0

The Hong Kong Hockey Association fixtures meeting arranged for 6 p.m. to-day in St. Andrew's Hall has been postponed to October 10.

WORLD SERIES OPENS

A capacity crowd of 33,000 fans, jammed Crossley Field, Cincinnati for the opening encounter in the World Baseball series. There was brilliant sunshine and many notable personages attended. The Tigers are 10/13 favourites to win the championship.—Reuter.

The Captains

Close competition should be seen in a number of events, and the rival captains, K. M. Au, of Hong Kong University, and Chan Shiu-but, of Lingnan, should be among the most prominent point-scorers at the meet. Both are entered for a number of events.

Hong Kong University are depending on very little new blood, the freshman class promising only Frederick Kwai, who has been clocked in under 10 1/2 seconds for the 100 yards and is reputed to be able to run the quarter-mile in 50 seconds. He has two strong opponents in the short sprint in Yu Mow-wai and Lam Hon-chung of Lingnan.

PROPOSED MATCH BETWEEN TUNNEY AND DEMPSEY SILLY!

THE move to match Gene Tunney with Jack Dempsey is the silliest suggestion since Cash-and-Garry Pyle thought up the Great American Bunton Derby, writes Harry Grayson.

Tunney wouldn't box in 1928. What would he be thinking about attempting any sort of a comeback in 1940? Give the man credit for the good sense he has shown since retiring.

A remark made by Dempsey following his disgraceful defeat with Mat Bad Man Bull Curry in Detroit explains why the Old Man Mauler got off on the wrong track this late in life.

"I've had so many headaches lately I just had to do something to take my mind off my troubles," he said.

They haven't been financial headaches, for he is far from being broke.

Dempsey now demands that wrestlers put up a forfeit guaranteeing they'll stand up and fight. What he really asks them to do is stand up and be hit.

But those close to him doubt that Dempsey will risk further tarnishment of his reputation in

another bout with a rassler or anybody else.

Fighting at 45 is a strange way for Jack Dempsey to work out his aches. PEE Wee-Rose, who was passed up by the Red Sox, will be the regular Brooklyn shortstop from now on.

Leo Durocher's legs bothered him when he turned to the lineup, and he intends to confine himself to bench managing unless an emergency arises.

Donie Bush pays Reese a fine compliment in an argument with George Weiss, director of the Yankee farm chain, about the respective merits of the Louisville kid and Phil Rizzuto, the colourful little fellow at shortstop for the New York club's Kansas City subsidiary.

Weiss insists Rizzuto is superior in the field and at bat, but Bush says Reese will make more plays outside the ordinary shortstop circle than anyone he has ever seen.

We'll have to string along with Donie Bush in this one.

He played a few games at the position himself, say a few shortstops.

POOR TIMES IN MANILA TRY-OUTS

Poor marks were registered on Sunday in the first of a series of swimming tryouts conducted by P.A.A.F. swimming officials to select members of the Philippine tank squad which will be sent to Hong Kong for the Philippine-Hong Kong Interport swimming meet to be held on Oct. 23, 24 and 25, says the "Manila Bulletin."

A total of 24 candidates, 23 men and one woman aspirant, turned out for the opening tryouts yesterday. Such leading swimmers as Basanung, Ladja, Ali Saundin, Ely Misaya, Palileo, D. Roque and D. Bonus were among the first candidates to report.

Twenty-two swimmers, 14 men and 8 women, will be selected to form the Philippine team. The delegation is scheduled to sail from Mahila on Oct. 19.

Not Yet Warmed Up

Basanung and Ladja, two Moro splashes of great promise, dominated in the 100-metre free-style tryout, but failed to turn in impressive times. Apparently local swimmers have not yet reached their peak in performance as the local swimming season started only recently. Basanung won the first heat of the 100-metre free-style with a time of 1:04.6, while Ladja captured the second heat with a time of 1:04.0.

The next tryouts are scheduled for Thursday afternoon, Oct. 3, starting at 4.30 o'clock at the Rizal Memorial swimming pool. Tryouts in the following events will be held: 200-metre free-style, 150-metre medley race, 100-metre breast-stroke, 50-metre back-stroke and all events for women.

The complete results of the tryouts follow:

100-METRE FREE-STYLE
First heat: 1. Basanung, 1:04.6; 2. Lavadia, 1:05.9; 3. Saundin, 1:07.5; 4. Reguilo, 1:13.2.
Second heat: 1. Ladja, 1:04.0; 2. Palileo, 1:04.5; 3. Misaya, 1:05.0; 4. Dianzon, 1:08.6; 5. Garcia, 1:09.4.

200-METRE BREAST-STROKE
First heat: 1. D. Bonus, 3:01.0; 2. Udjal, 3:05.0; 3. J. Roque, 3:09.1; 4. J. Castro, 3:12.1.
Second heat: 1. D. Roque, 3:00.4; 2. Taino, 3:01.2; 3. F. Bonus, 3:07.1; 4. Callao, 3:13.2; 5. C. Barton, 3:16.4.

400-METRE FREE-STYLE
1. Basanung, 5:26.1; 2. Villanueva, 5:29.8; 3. Palileo, 5:37.0; 4. Lavadia, 5:38.8; 5. Ladja, 5:40.7.

100-METRE BACK-STROKE
First heat: 1. E. Bonus, 1:16.3; 2. Udjal, 1:17.7; 3. Saranglao, 1:18.3; 4. Carbonnel, 1:19.1.

Second heat: 1. Salamat, 1:16.0; 2. Garcia, 1:18.6; 3. Trinidad, 1:20.5.
150-metre medley race: 1. V. Labayen, 3:06.5.

HUANG SMASHES RECORD

Charles Huang, Shanghai 220 and 440 yards free-style swimming champion, yesterday afternoon established a new Hong Kong University record when he clocked 12 mins. 37.2/10 secs. in the European Y.M.C.A. pool to break Lau Po-hei's 1936 record of 13 mins. 32.7/10 secs. by 55.5/10 secs.

Huang finished three lengths (73 yards) ahead of Ng Tsun-man, who came second, and four lengths ahead of Kenneth Lo.

The finals will be held on Saturday in the Y.M.C.A. pool commencing at 2 p.m.

Yesterday's results and finalists are as follows:

880 yards free-style final:—1. Charles Huang (Morrison) 12 mins. 37.2/10 secs. (record); 2. Ng Tsun-man (Morrison) 13 mins. 58.4/10; 3. Kenneth Lo (Morrison) 14 mins. 26.8/10; 4. L. E. Gutierrez (Rice) 15 mins. 36.3/10.

50 yards free-style:—Ng Tsun-man (Morrison) 25.5/10; A. V. Ozerio (Lugard) 27.1/10; C. Huang (Morrison) 28.1/10; Wong Yat-hung (Lugard) 29.4/10; Wu Ching-tai (Morrison) 29.9/10.

100 yards breast-stroke:—Hui Kwan-lun (Elliot) 36.8/10; Wong Yat-hung (Lugard) 38.2/10; Yeung Yik-wa (May) 39.3/10; W. S. Geng (Rice) 39.4/10; Tang Hon-chiu (Morrison) 40.

440 yards free-style:—A. Ho (Rice) 12.3/10; Kenneth Lo (Morrison); Charles Huang (Morrison) 12.3/10; A. V. Ozerio (Lugard) 0 mins. 44.

100 yards back-stroke:—Ng Tsun-man (Morrison) 2.04; Hui Kwan-lun (Elliot) 27.2/10; Wong Yat-hung (Lugard) 27.2/10.

AQUATICS MACAO

TOUR REVIEWED

By "Natator"

The Macao Chinese water-polo team completed their annual schedule of friendly water-polo games with the Hong Kong Chinese Clubs, on Tuesday, when they were defeated by the Chung Shing Benevolent Society water-polo team in their last fixture.

During their five-day stay, they played four games, securing a win over South China, and losing to Eastern and Chung Shing. The other game with Chinese Bathing Club was abandoned after a few minutes of play when the captain of the Macao contingent had a disagreement with one of the C.B.C. players, and walked out of the game with his team.

In their first game with South China, the Macao team was quite brilliant, and showed good knowledge of water-polo tactics, constantly out-manoeuvring the South China team, with the result that they scored three times to South China's two.

In their game with Eastern Athletic, it was obvious that the strain of turning out every day was telling on them, as they played listlessly, and were swamped by the home team by eight goals to nil in a purely one-sided affair.

Strongest Team

Eastern fielded their strongest team, and from the outset were determined to trounce the visitors. The game, which was played fifteen minutes in each half with 10 minutes rest, was hardly fair to the visitors, as they were a tired team, and there was also a strong sea current at that time. The time for a water-polo game as laid down in the rules, should be of fourteen minutes actual play of two periods of seven minutes each, and a three minutes interval. Where it is not convenient to play under these conditions, it has been the practice locally to play ten minutes each half, all in, with the customary three minutes interval.

The result of this extra long period of play was that the Macao goal was being continually hammered, and it is nothing short of miraculous that they managed to hold the score down to eight goals. In spite of the 10 minutes' respite, the team was all out, and the only one who can be said to have played fairly well was their custodian, but he was not supported by his backs. For Eastern, Kew scored four times, his last being a back-hand, whilst Shoo Hung-yui, Chu Chuk-yau and Shek Kam-pui accounted for the others.

An Improvement

In their last game with Chung Shing they displayed a bit of the sparkle of their first game, and they can be considered as having done quite well by only losing to the home team by four nil, when it is considered that they were playing the strongest Chinese combination in the Colony. Cheung Che-heung scored twice, and Ng Nin and Chan Sek-pui each scored once for the home team.

In all their games, weakness in the Macao team's forward line was apparent, the only one having any idea of playing forward being Chou Chak-lau, who scored two of their total of three goals. On many occasions the ball was passed to them, but they were not in position to score, being either too far away, or at a bad angle. Their backs also lacked experience, and instead of clearing the ball first time, attempted to dribble past their opponents in their own danger area, which often proved disastrous.

The following represented Macao during four games, Au Yeung-keung, Poon Wa-sun, Leung Wai-kwan, Ng Kai-hung, Chan Yung-kong, Chou Chak-lau (2), Kwan Kiu-lui, Hong Po-man (1).

gord) 87.5/10; L. Gutierrez (Rice) 93.4/10; A. Ho (Rice) 96.8/10.

100 yards free-style:—Ng Tsun-man (Morrison); Charles Huang (Morrison); Kenneth Lo (Morrison); A. V. Ozerio (Lugard) and Wong Yat-hung (Lugard) 39.

60 yards back-stroke:—Hui Kwan-lun (Elliot) 37.5/10; L. E. Gutierrez (Rice) 37.6/10; Wong Yat-hung (Lugard) 37.6/10; Ng Tsun-man (Morrison) 39.

220 yards breast-stroke:—Tang Ton-chiu (Morrison) 3 mins. 41.2/10; Wai Kai-chak (Morrison) 3 mins. 55.4/10; Yeung Yik-wa (May); Hui Kwan-lun (Elliot) and San Wai-yin (Rice).

75 yards individual medley (back breast and stroke):—Wong Yat-hung (Lugard) 64.4/10; Ng Tsun-man (Morrison) 64.5/10; Kenneth Lo (Morrison) 65; Hui Kwan-lun (Elliot) 59; Yeung Yik-wa (May) 60.8/10.

INTERPORT TRIALS

Swimming enthusiasts are reminded that Interport trials for the 100 and 220 yards back-stroke, 220 yards breast-stroke, women's 50 yards back-stroke and women's 50 yards breast-stroke, will be held in the V.R.C. pool to-day at 6 p.m.

The entrance fee will be 20 cents and receipts will go to the "South China Morning Post" Bombing Fund.

CRICKET

WEST AND ALLISON IN FORM

Although they were dismissed for a meagre 54 runs, Royal Corps of Signals made a team from H.M.S. Tamar go all the way before the latter were able to win by 3 wickets on C.B.S. ground yesterday.

Against the deadly bowling of Barton, Allison and Collingwood, Signals batsmen fared badly, not one double-figure score being registered.

Tamar, aided by Lt. Kilbee, former H.K.C.C. opening bat, had 33 runs on the board with three wickets down but, when still five runs short of their opponents' score, they had lost an additional four wickets.

West batted soundly and was associated with Mitchell in a stand of 54 for the last wicket, the latter's contribution being 3 not out!

SIGNALS	
Cpl. Blount, l.b.w., b Barton	7
Cpl. Bedford, b Allison	7
L/Cpl. Murphy, b Allison	1
Sig. Dixon, b Allison	1
L/Cpl. Pitcher, c Barton	1
Sig. Lithuaner, c Barton	5
Sgt. Brackenbury, b Allison	5
L/Cpl. Smith, b Allison	0
Cpl. Copsey, b Collingwood	1
Sig. Lees, b Collingwood	8
L/Cpl. Parry, not out	0
Extras (B14, LB4)	18

Total				
Bowling Analysis				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
Barton	6	0	19	3
Allison	7	2	9	5
Collingwood	2	0	8	2

H.M.S. TAMAR	
Snell, c and b Dixon	6
Sharp, b Dixon	0
Lt. Kilbee, run out	13
West, l.b.w., b Dixon	53
Allison, b Dixon	10
Boyes, b Dixon	4
Wilson, run out	6
Lt. Collingwood, c Murphy, b Dixon	0
Barton, b Dixon	2
Horgan, b Dixon	2
Mitchell, not out	3
Extras (B4, NB3)	7

Total				
Bowling Analysis				
	O.	M.	R.	W.
Dixon	8	0	48	8
Blount	5	0	23	0
Lees	2	0	23	0

ARTILLERY BEAT "BOWLSTERS"

Corps Artillery had their revenge over the "Bowlsters" in a lawn bowls match at K.C.C. yesterday, winning by 20 shots. On the first meeting of the two teams "Bowlsters" won quite easily.

The following were yesterday's scores:

Corps Artillery		Bowlers	
Gnr. Abbas		A. W. Cornell	
Sgt. Lloyd		F. Elphinstone	
C.A.S.M. Jack		J. Smith	
B. S. M. Walker		Hon. S. Dodwell	
(Skip)	24	(Skip)	15
Sgt. Gittins		Hon. J. A. Fraser	
Bdr. Capell		Sir Athol McGregor	
Sgt. Carr		A. W. Hodges	
Sgt. Sherriff		J. F. McGowan	
(Skip)	24	(Skip)	15
Sgt. Bone		E. Searle	
Sgt. Gillard		N. L. Smith	
Sgt. Bobbington		Dr. Newton	
B. S. M. Rose		J. Denkin	
(Skip)	19	(Skip)	17
	67		47

Bowls-Tourney

At Recreation, yesterday, U.M. Omar beat A. J. Hall 21-16 in the bowls championship.
At Kowloon Football Club A. Eastman beat H. A. Alves 21-13.
At Civil Service A. R. Minu beat C. S. Rossetti 21-19.
W. Hong Sling beat J. C. Remedios 21-12.
R. F. da Luz beat W. K. Way 22-8.

"Y" HOCKEY TEAMS

The following will represent Y.M.C.A. at King's Park this week:
To-day—A v. Kumon Rifles (5 p.m.)
—Benwell, Jordan, Saxby, Heptonstall, Pennington, Waldron, Gomm, Gommell, Dunno, Colledge, Highlands.
Saturday—First v. R.E. (4.30 p.m.)
—Benwell, Jordan, Saxby, Heptonstall, Pennington, Waldron, Banks, Gommell, A. N. Otter, Dunno, Highlands.
Second v. Signals (3 p.m.)—Benwell, Killean, Hailton, Spenceley, Tomlinson, Grant, Kancey, McGowan, Smith, Ireson, Bevan.

In the Sir Walter Lawrence silver statuette (plus 100 guineas) awarded to the player who hit the fastest century of the year in first-class cricket, could have been put up this summer for players in the leading Leagues it is almost certain the winner would be Wilfred Barber.

The Yorkshireman, now a professional with Brighouse, hit the fiercest hundred the Bradford League has ever known when he took 154 off the Bradford bowling on June 8.

His first 50 came in 21 minutes and 100 in 36 minutes. He hit nine 6's and twenty 4's, so that all but 20 of his runs came from boundary shots!

FEW will recall that Jack Hobbs was an in-swing bowler of real gifts, and fewer still know that among his host of records was that of achieving the

Out To Beat Hobbs Mark

finest all-round season's work ever known in the 38 years of the Bradford League's history.

During the last war, when he was professional to the Idle club, he finished season 1916 with a haul of 782 runs (average 56.00) and 59

SPORTS JOTTINGS

wickets (average 8.57). No one ever equalled that double-hundred feat in the Bradford League.

Now, however, that record of 24 years' standing seems certain to be beaten by Derbyshire's George Pope. In a dozen League games for Lidget Green, Pope has hit 478 runs and collected 60 wickets.

WHEN M. Boussac, the French sportsman, changed his mind and decided to let his crack colt, Djebel, run in the French Derby before competing for the English Classic he little knew he was jeopardising £50,000.

That would have been the normal value of the wonder colt had he won the Derby as well as the Guineas, which most shrewd judges think he would have done.

M. Boussac's original plan was to let Djebel go to Steve Donoghue's Blewbury stables after the "Guineas," but he decided to send him back to France for the Derby before tackling the English Derby. That went wrong when the Ger-

man, went to the Boussac stables. If they tested the colt he will be worthless. No German word will be taken on the subject of a horse's identity. That is generally accepted in British breeding circles.

HERE'S what has happened to the Arsenal team of last season, everyone of whom, with the exception of Cliff Bastin, is either serving, waiting to be called up or in exempted occupations by reason of their

Arsenal's Big Bit

peace-time skill. Bastin, has been rejected because of the ear trouble which dimmed the brilliance of his football career for the last two seasons.

Cumner is in the Marines, Leslie Compton in the police, but has registered. Hapgood and Bryn Jones have registered and are awaiting call-up, and George Male and Leslie Jones have reported for R.A.F. duty. They join Marks, Scott, Crayston, Kirchen, Drake, Siday, Pugh, and Curtis. Tom Whitaker is also in the R.A.F.

and George Allison is Home Defence river patrol. George must have got this job on his sailing experience.

THIRTY years ago a syndicate of three men about Town bought a steam yacht and the costumes to go with it—

3 Men In A Boat

George Allison, John Brockett—a former sports editor of the "Daily Mail"—and the first sports journalist to broadcast—Gordon Hoare, one of the happy band of amateur internationalists. Sammy Hill-Wood collected in his Glossop days.

The yacht made one trip and a profit of £1. The cost of the boat was £26 and they sold the engine for £26—after a crazy down-Thames cruise, Jerome would have made immortal.

Among the adventures were forgetting the tide went out miles at Southend and crashing into Tilbury Pier because there was no reverse on the engine and Captain Allison ran her in with, instead of against, the tide or slashed his mizzen or something.

Anyway, the piermaster had hysterics and George handed his cap to Able-Seaman Hoare. It must have been a good engine.



ALSO SOLD IN PACKETS OF 20'S

GOLD FLAKE

THEY'RE MILD AND MELLOW

ALL ATTACKS BROKEN UP.

Few German Aircraft Get Through To London

AIR MAIL SERVICE RESUMPTION

It is announced by Imperial Airways that it is hoped to resume the air mail service via Bangkok shortly.

A service plane carrying mails will leave on Saturday and an inward plane, carrying mails, is expected on Monday.

GANDHI'S MIND NOT MADE UP

The Mahatma Gandhi spent the best part of his 72nd birthday yesterday in the third-class compartment of a train, returning to Wardha after his abortive conversations with the Viceroy in Simla.

Correspondence exchanged between the Mahatma and members of the Congress Working Committee suggests that he is not anticipating precipitate measures and this is corroborated by the statement issued by Gandhi on his arrival at Wardha yesterday, asking Congress members not to be impatient.

He stated that he hopes to be ready with a plan of action by the time the Working Committee of Congress meets.

In the meantime, Gandhi directs Congress members not to resort to civil disobedience either direct or indirect.—Reuter.

BUENOS AIRES' RED CROSS DONATION

The British community in Buenos Aires has sent £7,000 to the British Red Cross, £2,500 to the Scottish Red Cross and £1,000 to the London air-raid relief fund.—Reuter.

Large Scale Attempts

BRITISH FIGHTERS, CONTINUING THEIR HEROIC BATTLE IN THE DEFENCE OF LONDON BY DAYLIGHT, WERE OFFICIALLY STATED LAST EVENING TO HAVE INTERCEPTED AND BROKEN UP FORCES OF "SEVERAL SQUADRONS OF ENEMY AIRCRAFT WHICH DELIVERED A SERIES OF ATTACKS ON THE CAPITAL THROUGHOUT THE DAY."

Few of the enemy formations—estimated unofficially to have totalled over 200 machines—penetrated to the London area, states an Air Ministry communique.

The official statement adds that reports indicate that where bombs were dropped they caused little damage and few casualties, though these included some fatally injured.

Both on their way to and from London, it is revealed, some of the German planes dropped bombs on Kent coastal towns.

This phase of yesterday's actions began at about 8 a.m. Earlier, single aircraft had made several brief raids.

They came in not only over the South Coast but over the East Coast as well.

Isolated Raids

A few bombs, says the Air Ministry, were dropped at isolated points in South-West England, South Wales and Essex, resulting in little damage and few casualties.

If the German Air Force had hoped to wear down the British fighter defence in the day's excursions—one of the primary objects of their visits in between mass raids—they appear to have failed again.

Reports so far received, states the Air Ministry, show that nine enemy aircraft have been shot down and only one R.A.F. fighter is missing.

Six "Alerts"

Some of the raiders which gave London six "alert" warnings in the course of the day were engaged over an East End district.

Watchers on a City roof saw the climax. British fighters surrounded the raiders, shepherded them together and then dived, making head-on and rear attacks. The enemy fled towards the Kent coast.—Reuter.

Ten Altogether

Later. It is learned that ten enemy aircraft were destroyed yesterday,

nine by fighters and one by A.A. fire.

Besides one machine destroyed by ack-ack fire over South-East London on Tuesday night, it is now learned that two enemy aircraft were shot down on Monday afternoon over the Sussex coast by Lewis Gun fire.—Reuter.

Thames Guns Bark

Thames Estuary A.A. guns destroyed one of yesterday's raiders—a Messerschmidt 109.

During the night, gunners were responsible for the longest explosion heard over South-East London since bombing began.

The gunners thought they had hit the German bomber but the noise was so great that they wondered whether they had not perhaps exploded the bomb load as well.

In the morning, they had their answer. They had done both.

Their shells had struck one of the London night raiders and the bomber and bombs had exploded together.

Pieces were found scattered over several miles of South-East London.

New Tactics

Yesterday's raids brought a change of tactics by the German Air Force.

Instead of single bombers or one or two large-scale attacks, smaller raids of from four to eight enemy bombers and fighters followed each other from nine in the morning till four in the afternoon. They all crossed the Kent coast in the same direction and were attacked by Spitfires and Hurricanes as they flew towards London.

Four out of fifteen Messerschmidt 109 fighters were shot down by a Spitfire squadron over the Kent-Surrey border as they flew north-west. The rest of the Messerschmidts turned back.—British Wireless.

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BERLIN MUNITIONS FACTORY BOMBED

An Air Ministry communique says: "Last night, strong forces of R.A.F. bombers attacked a munitions factory in Berlin, electric power stations at Duisburg and Cologne, oil plants at Sterkrade, Herten, Gelsenkirchen and Cologne.—British Wireless."

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BIG SHIFT LIKELY

AN EXTENSIVE RE-SHUFFLE OF THE BRITISH WAR CABINET IS CONSIDERED LIKELY.

Mr. Winston Churchill's visits to the King are believed to be connected with the proposed changes.

The Press Association's Lobby Correspondent states that there is reason to believe that changes in other departments, as well as the War Cabinet, will be announced almost immediately.

THE CORRESPONDENT ANTICIPATES MR. CHAMBERLAIN'S RESIGNATION FOR HEALTH REASONS. THIS WILL LEAVE A VACANCY IN THE WAR CABINET AND IT WOULD NOT BE SURPRISING, SAYS THE CORRESPONDENT, IF MR. ERNEST BEVIN WERE TO CHANGE FROM HIS PRESENT POSITION AS MINISTER OF LABOUR TO ONE WITH LESS DEPARTMENTAL RESPONSIBILITY, BUT MORE SCOPE.

There is some reason to think that Lord Halifax will remain in the Government and as Lord Beaverbrook is already a member of the War Cabinet, he too may retain his present office.

Some good judges anticipate that Mr. Duff Cooper may leave the Ministry of Information for the War Office, in which case Mr. Eden would doubtless be found an outlet elsewhere, possibly at the Ministry of Supply.—Reuter.

GERMANS LEAVING BESSARABIA

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Over 15,000 Germans have already left Bessarabia and several thousand more are expected to leave.

This evacuation conforms with the agreement between Russia and Germany in the case of Poland and the Baltic States.—Havas.

BUSINESS AS USUAL IN MALTA

According to agency messages from Malta, the Law Courts and private and public schools have opened as usual on the termination of the summer holidays.—British Wireless.

GENERAL FRANCO'S AMNESTY

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

On the occasion of the fourth anniversary of his proclamation as Caudillo, General Franco yesterday proclaimed a new amnesty affecting all Spanish political prisoners sentenced to less than 12 years in gaol.

The measure is expected in Franco circles to go far towards bringing "oblivion" to the Civil War and restoring normal conditions in Spain.—Havas.

Typhoon Havoc In Shanghai

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The typhoon which provoked heavy rains and flooded Shanghai passed 30 miles east of the city around noon yesterday.

Meanwhile the record rainfall of over 11 inches in 24 hours, combined with a high tide and the wind pushing the waters of the Whangpoo River back to the city, increased the amount of water in the streets.

Most of Shanghai's trade and traffic was practically at a standstill, the only people to benefit from the situation being the rickshaws, whose luck is holding this month.

After the tram and bus strikes, the floods brought them another period when their earnings averaged \$15 a day.—Havas.

VICHY "EXPLAINS" ARRESTS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The nature of, and the reasons for, the internments recently ordered by the Vichy administration was explained in an official communique yesterday.

It was stressed first of all that the internments have no connections whatever with any action which the High Court or court martial may take eventually.

"It is the essential duty of the responsible authorities to ensure the maintenance of France's sovereignty and public order, both of which may again be endangered by those persons who contributed to the plunging of France

AMERICA AWAKE TO FAR EAST REALITIES?

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

EVIDENCE OF THE deep interest shown in non-occupied France in political developments which may result from the Axis/Japan pact is shown by leading articles appearing yesterday in all the Vichy newspapers.

In "Figaro," M. Lucien Romier, economic expert who visited the Far East in 1938, writes:—

"The United States will intervene only in a war extending all over the world and placing in the balance the mastery of the Pacific Ocean."

"American opinion, which is ordinarily divided on foreign affairs, is now united on the subject of the Panama Canal, South America and the Pacific."

The paper "Action Francaise" declares:—

"Will Tokyo and Washington take the necessary measures before it is too late to prevent their opposition from developing into an armed conflict?"

"The Tripartite pact strengthened Japan's position and Tokyo (Continued on Page 16)

38,000 JAPANESE TROOPS LAND

The number of Japanese troops landed at Haiphong is reported to have reached 38,000, equipped with 80 guns and 60 tanks. Their destination is believed to be Hanoi.—Central News.

into the abyss where she finds herself," the communique says.

"Therefore, it is necessary for the authorities to take any precautionary measures deemed necessary against people unable and unwilling to understand and trying by word and deed to stir up old quarrels from which France nearly perished," the communique concludes.—Havas.

CONSULAR OFFICER'S TRAGIC DEATH

James H. Barton, elder son of Sir Sidney Barton, and an officer attached to the British Consulate-General in Shanghai, died suddenly this morning.

He had been suffering from a cold and on Tuesday evening had to wade home through three feet of flood water caused by the typhoon. He collapsed on Wednesday with a severe cold and an infected throat, from which he died.

He was 34 years of age and obtained a half-blue at Oxford for boxing.

Doctors say that death was due to a virulent throat infection which has spread in Shanghai with the floods.

Gerald Tyrrell, 33, British Consul in the same office, was rushed to hospital this morning suffering from a similar infection.—Reuter.

WEATHER FORECAST:—N. and N.E. winds, fresh; fine generally.



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GENERAL WAVELL'S ARMY STRONGLY REINFORCED

NEWS FROM GENERAL Wavell's command in the Middle East continues to be reassuring, writes Reuter's military correspondent.

His Egyptian front, already strong in mechanised cavalry and first-class infantry of the line, has now been reinforced by a contingent of Australians.

In Kenya, his South African troops are now reported to be holding 500 miles of lines of communications from the south of the Abyssinia frontier.

In Uganda and Sudan, the main routes to important military objectives are now well defended.

General Graziani and the Army from Libya has been halted at Sidi Barrani for a fortnight. During that period his forces have been heavily attacked by British aircraft at Ben Ghazi and Tozruk, both vital sea bases.

Bardia and the road to Bug Bug have been shelled by the British fleet and important aerodromes, including Marawa, have received unexpected attention from British Blenheims, whose range, action and endurance come as an unpleasant surprise to the Italian military effort.

Abyssinia Raids

The South African Air Force continues its raids on the far from inexhaustible oil dumps and munition stores in Abyssinia and Italian Somaliland. These latter operations are close linked with what is happening in Egypt.

Abyssinia is cut off and there are a large number of Italian troops there. The defences of Egypt have been greatly strengthened.

The British Navy in the Mediterranean and R.A.F. operating over the entire Middle East Command have been reinforced during the last few weeks.—Reuter.

LESSON FOR ITALY

Admiral Cunningham's bombardment of the Italian concentration on the Libyan frontier was a useful reminder of the influence that the Navy can exert on any land operations along the North African littoral.

If the Admiral maintains his pressure on the Italian troops, as he certainly may be expected to do, Marshal Graziani will find himself compelled to call the Italian Fleet to his help—and no move could be more desirable from our point of view.

After all that the Italians have been told by Mussolini about the ability of his Air Force to deny all movements by the British fleet in the Mediterranean, Admiral Cunningham's undisturbed bombardment of the Fort Capuzzo positions will require a good deal of explanation.

Marshal Graziani must be coming to realise that unless the British Mediterranean Fleet can be nullified it will harass his flanks from the sea continuously during any attempt he makes to advance along the coastal road in the direction of Alexandria. Yet on his other flank the desert makes escape from the sea menace impossible.

ITALIAN FANTASY RECOILS

Italian propaganda has aroused the contempt of the Arabs.

At first, a feeling of dismay was caused in remote parts of the desert by an Italian announcement that Aden had been razed to the ground. This feeling changed to disgust at such deliberate lying when it became known that the inhabitants of Aden continue to regard a bomb crater as a thing of curiosity.

As soon as a bomb bursts on land, there is a rush to collect splinters for sale as mementoes. In outlying towns and villages, and in Aden itself, attentive crowds gather each evening around loud-speakers to hear the news.

When the announcer mentions Italians, mutters run through the listeners, "May God curse them."

In contrast to the violent dislike of Italians, is the increasing confidence in the British. For instance, an English official acceded to a request by local religious leaders on Tuesday to broadcast a prayer in Arabic calling the blessings of Allah upon the observance of the Great Moslem Feast of Ramadan which will last from Tuesday until the new moon.—Reuter.

ITALIANS TRY AGAIN

The Italians delivered their thirty-second attempted air attack on Aden on Tuesday. There was no damage.

Only one machine penetrated as far as the town, but it was then forced to such a height by fire from warships in the harbour that bombs fell harmlessly.

A British fighter machine-gunned an Italian aircraft which was last seen diving with smoke pouring from it. On only 16 occasions have Italian aircraft reached Aden itself and only 17 people have been killed. The principal targets on land have not yet suffered at all.—Reuter.

STOCK EXCHANGE ACTIVITY

On the London Stock Exchange yesterday, small but decided improvement in business was noted in several groups, among which Kaftars were the most prominent, with Far Western issues sharply higher on continued Cape and local support.

Industrials also attracted more buyers while gilt-edged securities were quietly steady. Others mostly tended to advance. Wall Street was firmer.—Reuter.

VICHY AIR MINISTRY CHANGES

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

The Vichy Air Ministry has been organised into two departments, according to a decree in the Official Gazette.

One will take charge of military affairs under the command of the Air Force General Staff, while the other will take charge of civilian air lines.—Havas.

YACHTS FOR ANTI-SUBMARINE PATROLS

Fifteen large ocean-going yachts have been acquired by the Canadian Navy, says Reuter's Ottawa correspondent, for conversion into anti-submarine patrol vessels.

An official announcement to this effect was made yesterday by Navy Minister MacDonald.—Reuter.

MISSION TO SOUTH AMERICA

SLIGHT MODIFICATION IN THE PERSONNEL OF THE BRITISH ECONOMIC MISSION WHICH IS GOING TO SOUTH AMERICA UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF LORD WILLINGDON HAS JUST BEEN ANNOUNCED IN LONDON.

Sir Harry Chilton, who has been British Ambassador in the Argentine and Chile, will replace Sir Horace Rumbold, who will be prevented by private reasons from accompanying the Mission.

Admiral Sir Cyril Fuller is joining the Mission as an additional member.—Reuter.

OVERSEAS EVACUATION SCHEME TEMPORARILY ABANDONED

CITY OF BENARES TRAGEDY SEQUEL

THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT has decided that until further notice no more children can be sent overseas under the Children's Overseas Reception Scheme.

The recent loss of children in the "City of Benares" illustrated the dangers to which passenger vessels are exposed even when in convoy, under the weather conditions now prevailing in the Atlantic.

Government has come reluctantly to the conclusion that during the winter season of gales and heavy seas they cannot accept the responsibility of sending children overseas under the Government Scheme.

Although the operation of the Scheme is to be suspended for the time being, it has not been abandoned. The question whether the Board will be able to resume operations next year must turn on the conditions then obtaining.

Some 2,650 children have already gone overseas under the Scheme. The parents of these children may rest assured that there will be no suspension of the arrangements made for their welfare in their new homes.

Sole Consideration

Government recognise the keen disappointment that will be felt by parents who had hoped to be able to send their children overseas under the Government Scheme and they express warm thanks to the very many people in the Dominions and United States who so generously have offered hospitality to children from the vulnerable areas in this country.

They are sure, however, that friends and kinsfolk overseas will be the first to appreciate that Government's decision has been taken solely out of consideration for the children themselves.—Reuter.

ITALIAN REBUFF IN SYRIA

Complete failure of the Italian Mission to Syria to reach their goal and flat rejection of their demands by M. Puaux, French High Commissioner of Syria, is reported in a Beyrouth message to the newspaper "Al Misri" in Cairo.

Mr. Puaux, it is said, rejected the Italian demand for surrender of 800 war planes on grounds that part of the air force in Syria had left the country for the Middle East and part had been purchased by the Lebanese Government.

The demand for the placing of aerodromes under Italian control was also rejected, M. Puaux declaring that they were located in Lebanese territory, and that according to stipulations of the French Mandate over Lebanon, France had no right to dispose of them. The High Commissioner further refused to consider the demand for reduction of the French Army.

As a result of the Mission's failure, Mussolini is said to have recalled five generals who were members thereof, and replaced them with others who have now arrived in Syria.—Reuter.

MINERS ASK FOR GOVT CONTROL

If the miners could be made to feel they are working "for the Government" and are linked up directly with the war effort, there would be no more lightning strikes. The men would not tolerate them.

Mr. J. A. Hall, president of the Yorkshire Mineworkers' Association, said that to a reporter in commenting on the stoppage at Grimethorpe Colliery near Barnsley.

Thousands of tons of coal were lost by the strike, which ended after being condemned by the miners' leaders. Three thousand men and boys returned to work.

Meanwhile, shifts are being lost through the absence of boys at Denaby Main Colliery, near Doncaster.

Mr. Hall advocated Government control of the mining industry, not from any political motive, but from a conviction that it was vital to the national interest and much preferable to appeal tribunals.

Meanwhile, colliery owners had now agreed in principle to share all available trade so that the maximum number of pits is kept in operation.

INVASION OF BRITAIN OFF, SAYS BERLIN

Ribbentrop's Whereabouts Mystery :: Soviet Riddle

Hitler To Threaten Or To Woo?

AN OFFICIAL GERMAN DECLARATION THAT THE INVASION OF BRITAIN HAS BEEN SHELVED IS ALLEGED TO HAVE BEEN MADE TO A JAPANESE CORRESPONDENT IN BERLIN, REUTER'S DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT LEARNS IN LONDON.

The declaration took form of a statement that Germany's military and diplomatic positions have been so strengthened by the new pact with Japan that there is no longer any necessity for hurrying with invasion plans.

Many British experts have long been convinced that Germany would think twice before launching an assault on the British Isles, but the excuse for holding off does not carry conviction, the correspondent continues.

One of the finest summers in living memory should have favoured the German plans if the Royal Air Force, the British Navy and Army could have been ignored.

But there were other implications in the German statement. If Germany's hand has been strengthened it is obviously not against Britain.

As in the case of the German guarantee to despoiled Rumania, menace could only come from Russia.

The next few days should help to clarify the position, whether Germany by virtue of increased strength is to threaten Russia or woo her.

The existing uncertainty on the issue may explain the mystery which is being observed about von Ribbentrop's movements.

The German assertion that he is "visiting" in the country near Berlin lacks conviction.

Anglo-Japanese Relations

British relations with Japan are likely to enter a critical stage when the question of re-opening the Burma Road arises for decision during the next fortnight.

There seems little likelihood that the measure which was intended as a gesture of appeasement will be maintained now that Japan has openly promised her support to the Axis in certain contingencies.—Reuter.

No Confirmation in Moscow

Although reports have reached Moscow that Herr von Ribbentrop is supposed to have arrived in Moscow from Berlin, no confirmation of his presence is forthcoming from official circles in Moscow.

Reuter's correspondent in the Soviet capital says with reference to reports regarding Ribbentrop's activities and concerning the possible reaction of the Soviet Union to the Three-Power Pact, that it may be recalled that the organs of the Government Party, "Pravda" and "Izvestia," both recently stressed the neutrality of the Soviet Union in the present war.—Reuter.

Railway Agreement

Negotiations which have been taking place in Berlin between the German Minister of Transport and representatives of the Soviet Commissariat for Transport have resulted in the conclusion of a final railway agreement between the two countries, according to the official German press.—Reuter.

THE MADRAS WAR EFFORT

A further £15,000 has been cabled from Madras to the Air Ministry from the Governor's War Fund, bringing total contributions from this source to £247,000.—Reuter.

DORNIER TERRORIST CREW CAUGHT

A few minutes after it had machine-gunned the streets of an Essex town, a German Dornier bomber was shot down by Hurricanes who were returning from a patrol over the North Sea.

The German pilot tried dodging in and out of the clouds, but several of the Hurricanes got in bursts of machine-gun fire and the Dornier crashed twenty miles away near a searchlight post.

One of the Hurricane pilots who had helped to shoot down the raider landed nearby and was congratulated by the searchlight crew who had taken four of the German crew prisoners.

The searchlight men were surprised at the size of the British pilot. Four feet three inches in height, he is one of the smallest pilots in the Air Force.—Reuter.

G.H.Q. FOR SCIENCE

Britain is to have a General Headquarters of Science to co-ordinate and stimulate research and the discoveries of scientific workers in all spheres.

The personnel will consist of internationally known scientific investigators like Sir William Bragg, Dr. E. F. Appleton, Sir Edward Mellanby, Sir Edwin Butler, Professor A. V. Hill, and Professor A. G. Egerton.

The Chairman will be Lord Hankey, who will convey the fruits of the new body's labours directly to the Lord Chancellor.—Reuter.

AID FOR FRENCH CHILD VICTIMS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") Assistance for French children who suffered from the recent hostilities is urged by M. Bupon, Bishop of Lausanne.

He urges Swiss charitable institutions and families to care temporarily for French children from 5 to 15 years of age who are war-orphans or whose fathers are prisoners of war.—Havas.

TRAWLER LOST

The Admiralty announced last night that H.M. trawler Recoll is overdue and must be considered lost.—Reuter.

RUMANIA DENIES NAZI INFILTRATION

A categorical denial of foreign radio reports that German airmen are stationed in the Rumanian oil-fields region, was issued on Tuesday by the semi-official Rumanian news agency in Bucharest, which also denied reports that German soldiers have prepared a landing ground near Targoviste and that there are German officers and specialists in various ports, at aerodromes and oil-fields.—Reuter.

MORE FUNDS FOR FIGHTERS

A further contribution to the Cyprus Fighter Plane Fund organised by the "Cyprus Post" amounts to £234.

Gambia Spitfire Fund's second contribution to the cost of aircraft for Britain is £1,000.

The sum of £5,000 has been subscribed by the Kenya War Welfare Fund for the relief of distress due to air raids on London.

From Nigeria, a further instalment of £5,000 has been sent to the War Fund.

The Spitfire Fund organised among the British Colony in Portugal has, within one month, raised £13,000. It is expected that the fund will yield sufficient for three Spitfires.

The Maharaja Dhira of Darbhanga has given two fighters to the Bihar War Purposes Fund.

One is a Spitfire for the R.A.F. which, if destroyed in action, will be replaced by the Maharaja. The second fighter is for the Indian Air Force.

The Maharaja of Morvi has given money for two Spitfires.—British Wireless.

A WASTE OF TIME

American radio reporters in Germany are getting so annoyed at the Nazi censorship that they are thinking of giving it all up and leaving the country.

"Variety," doyen of American screen, stage and radio magazines, reports that officials of the various American broadcasting companies believe that the available broadcasting material from Germany contains "little of authentic news value" and are considering the withdrawal of their correspondents from Germany.—Reuter.

VAIN WAIT FOR SEQUEL

The German Radio yesterday morning announced that "strong bomber and fighter forces have started for England again," but its listeners will probably wait in vain to hear that these formations very quickly returned in disorder—but that is what actually happened!

An official announcement says that between midnight and noon yesterday, eight German planes were brought down without a single loss to the R.A.F.

Up to late yesterday afternoon, London had had six "alerts," but no German planes came nearer than the outskirts, where a few bombs were dropped, property damaged and some people killed.

During one raid, three people were killed when their house was demolished.

Their dog, which had taken refuge in the shelter, was not hurt.

Three bombs partly wrecked a house, killing one person, a fourth wrecked an old farm-house and others fell in parks and the grounds of a school.

It seems certain that these bombs were dropped from odd raiders which got through in weather which favoured them—large cloud formations, affording ample cover. Large formations were all turned back by gun-fire and our fighters.

The Germans yesterday again used a handful of bombers protected by a mass of fighters.—Reuter.

BICYCLE THIEVES

Two bicycle thieves, Pun Lu, 23, and Ki Kwong-on, 24, alleged to have been operating on a large scale, were sentenced to four months' hard labour by Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at Kowloon this morning for stealing nine bicycles on September 23.

Det.-Sgt. N. B. Fraser said that accused, with another man not in custody, went to different shops and hired nine bicycles which were not returned.

The masters of the shops reported to the police, who eventually arrested the two youths and recovered the bicycles from an address in Austin Road.

SHIUKWAN AIR SERVICE PROJECT

An air service between Hong Kong and Shiukwan, north Kwangtung, will shortly be inaugurated by the China National Aviation Corporation, according to a responsible official of the concern.

Although the schedule has not been fixed, it has been tentatively decided that a round trip will be made every two weeks.

The fare from Hong Kong to Shiukwan will be HK\$270 while that from Shiukwan to Hong Kong will be N.C.\$520. The journey each way will take only one and a half hours.—Central News.

ITALIAN BOMBER FORCED DOWN

An Italian bomber which raided Haifa on Tuesday was damaged by anti-aircraft fire and later landed in Syria.—Reuter.

RESCUE IN THE IRISH SEA

Dutch allies rendered service to their R.A.F. comrades recently when Dutch airmen, flying an Anson aircraft of the Coastal Command, sighted a rubber dinghy with five men drifting in the Irish Sea.

They found and guided a ship to the rescue of the dinghy's occupants, who were the crew of a British aircraft which had made a forced landing on the water.—British Wireless.

MACHINES STOLEN FROM FACTORY

COMPLETING INVESTIGATIONS INTO THE THEFT FROM A KNITTING FACTORY AT NO. 50, TAM NAM STREET ON SEPTEMBER 20 OF TWO MACHINES, VALUED AT \$1,000, THE POLICE ARRESTED FOUR MEN ON TUESDAY AND RECOVERED THE PROPERTY.

Before Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen this morning, Tsui Shing, 23, Tam Ming, 28, and Yuen Wing-sau, 25, were sentenced to 2 months' hard labour. The fourth accused, Hi Ki, 32, was remanded 24 hours for further enquiries on a receiving charge.

It was stated that first three accused stole the machines and sold them to fourth accused for \$270.

THEFT FROM FIRE STATION

The disappearance of several accessories from the No. 7 fire appliance in Mongkok Fire Station on Monday had a sequel this morning before Mr. E. Hinsworth at Kowloon when an ex-painter of the Station, two other men and a woman were charged with stealing or receiving.

The ex-painter, Ho Hing, 26, was remanded for two days for further enquiries in connection with thefts of similar equipment from Hong Kong fire stations. The two men, charged with receiving, were fined \$40, or six weeks' hard labour each, while the woman was discharged owing to lack of evidence.

Det.-Sgt. Morrison said that Ho Hing sold the equipment as scrap brass to the two men, one of whom re-sold some to the woman.

WATERLOO ROAD BURGLARY

Mr. C. E. Templett, of No. 95, Waterloo Road, has reported that between 1 a.m. and 6 a.m. yesterday, his residence was entered through an open window and five bottles of liquor and money and jewellery were stolen. The total value of the loss was \$182.50.

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NIGHT OUT WITH THE NAVY: ON NIGHT RAID INTELLIGENCE PATROL

A BRANCH OF THE NAVY'S war effort about which little is known was last night exposed for the first time to civilian inspection, says Reuter's special correspondent with the Home Fleet.

"My first assignment as correspondent with the Home Fleet was to sail in one of the ships which carry out intelligence and anti-aeroplane work in the narrow waters over which German bombers fly in nightly attack on London and the South-Eastern area.

The vessel used was formerly a favourite excursion ship, but to-day she bristles with guns and searchlights and is manned by reservists representing all callings from farm labourers to a London stage manager.

"We left a South-Eastern port in the late afternoon, passing Dutch, French and British warships, and a great mass of merchant ships which still chug under convoy through the Straits of Dover like fast freight trains. "Half an hour out came the warning: 'Hostile aircraft approaching.'

"The gun crews immediately jumped to it.

"A Heinkel passed over at about 10,000 feet, but it seemed more eager to try and get at one of the great R.A.F. aerodromes that dot the shore-line than to try conclusions with the ship's pom-pom guns for which, said the Captain, German airmen have a marked distaste.

Raid On French Coast

"A little further out we passed a concentration of British destroyers which, I was told, were probably preparing to raid the French coast—a not infrequent operation nowadays by British light forces, who like to singe Hitler's wings now and then, much as Drake used to harry the Spanish coast 350 years ago.

"Surprise approach and the shelling of German-occupied coast—those are the tactics these light forces employ.

"It was dark, with a faintly glimmering moon when the distant humming proclaimed the approach of hostile aircraft.

"Eight thousand red seventy-eight" yelled the spotter, meaning that the raiders were 8,000 yards away on the port bow.

"The warning was echoed from the bridge all through the ship. The Captain ordered Action Stations and gun crews trained their weapons, while pattering feet over the deck told that every man was running to stand by.

Searchlight Cuts Sky

"The drone of the raiders was now quite close and searchlights suddenly cut through the night sky. They must have taken the raiders completely by surprise.

I could see one with the naked eye, scudding against the moon's wrack and the searchlights held him as he shot across our stern. Our pom-poms crashed out in deafening chorus, lighting up the whole ship with the flash of blue and white explosions. "We did not hit him, but maybe we netted the part of beaters for another sportsman, for within a few minutes another plane approached the from the direction in which the raider had just disappeared and dropped recognition flares that showed he was British.

Stalking His Prey

"Even as the ship was firing, the British plane had been stalking its prey across the open sea aided perhaps by the flashes of our guns.

"The remainder of the night passed without action, other German aircraft staying very high, out of range.

"A special watch was kept as always for enemy mine-laying

aircraft, but none appeared and the vessel returned to harbour." Reuter.

TO BE IN WAR CABINET?

The Prime Minister will be asked by Mr. E. Granville (L. Nat. Eye, Suffolk) if the voluntary Press censorship and administration of Defence Regulation No. 3 by the Ministry of Information, instead of the Service departments, now represents the considered policy of the War Cabinet; and whether the Minister of Information will be made a member of that body instead of merely attending their meetings.

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FIRED HAYSTACK, SAVED R.A.F. PILOT

A farmer sacrificed a can of petrol and a haystack to save an R.A.F. sergeant-pilot who was lost while flying in bad weather.

He fired the haystack, which enabled the airman to make a good landing on a field hitherto hidden by rain and mist.

While flying with other aircraft in a cross-country trip over Scotland some time ago, the pilot became separated from the others owing to the weather.

For a long time he flew in a circle vainly trying to get a glimpse of the ground through the mist.

When he was getting desperate, he noticed a red glow far beneath him. It spread and burst into a huge sheet of flame.

Farmer's Welcome

As the fire got bigger and brighter, the pilot joyfully saw that it was at the edge of a flat field, which it illuminated clearly.

He lost no time in landing. As he climbed out of the cockpit, a farmer ran forward to welcome him.

The farmer had heard a plane roaring round and round in the mist, and as aircraft are common in his district he had no hesitation in deciding that it was British and in trouble.

So he got the petrol, threw it on the haystack and set fire to it.

Farmer and pilot celebrated the occasion afterwards in suitable fashion.

GIVES HOPE FOR SON

A treasured possession of Mr. A. Breed, of Clivedale, Clifton Road, Shefford, Beds, is a faded newspaper cutting reporting his death in action in the last war.

His wife received the letter from the War Office telling her that Mr. Breed was missing, believed killed. Ten days later he wrote to his wife assuring her he was well.

Now Mrs. Breed has received another War Office letter, stating that her son, Lance-Sergeant R. W. Breed, of the Oxford and Bucks, is missing.

Mr. and Mrs. Breed remembering the faded cutting still have hope.

GRAND DUCHESS FLYING TO NEW YORK

The Grand Duchess of Luxembourg will arrive in the United States on Friday by air, states an announcement issued in New York by Pan-American Airways.

Prince Consort Felix and their six children reached the United States in July aboard an American cruiser.—Reuter.

GLOOM SENTENCES CUT

Thirteen people convicted for statements likely to cause alarm or despondency have had their sentences altered by the Home Secretary.

Proceedings had been authorised in seventy-four cases up to the times of the Premier's statement in the House of Commons. About thirty have not yet been dealt with by the Courts.

Twelve cases involved sentences of imprisonment. In six of these sentences (from one to fourteen days) has expired.

In four cases there clearly appears, it is stated, some "evil wish or systematic purpose to weaken the national defence," and the Home Secretary has been unable to advise any remission.

In the case of Lance-Corporal A. E. Rice, sentenced on July 17 at Wincanton, Somerset, to one month's hard labour and a fine of £2, remission of the remainder of the sentence and the whole of the fine is recommended.

A. S. Collins, charged with Rice and fined £5, is to have £4 remitted.

Of the cases where only fines were imposed there are nine in which the Home Secretary has not been able to advise any interference, because either the case was a serious one or the fine was trifling. The fines in these cases varied from £30 to 10s.

Big Remissions

In eleven cases the Home Secretary has advised substantial remissions. These are:

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Frank Haddow and Standley Haddow, Mildenhall	£5 each	£1 each
H. R. N. Humphries, Launceston	£10	£2
J. G. Laling, Nottingham	£50, plus 14 days' hard labour	£10
H. S. Madin, Nottingham	£10, plus 7 days' hard labour	Nil
V. Muff, Huddersfield	£10	£2
W. T. Page, Tunbridge Wells	£25	£5
Rev. H. H. Williams, Wallasey	£10	£5

FAMOUS CANADIAN AIRMEN SEE KING

TWO FAMOUS CANADIAN AIRMEN WERE RECEIVED BY HIS MAJESTY THE KING YESTERDAY AT BUCKINGHAM PALACE.

They were Air Vice-Marshal Bishop, V.C., and Air Commodore Walsh, in command of the R.C.A.F. now in England.—Reuter.

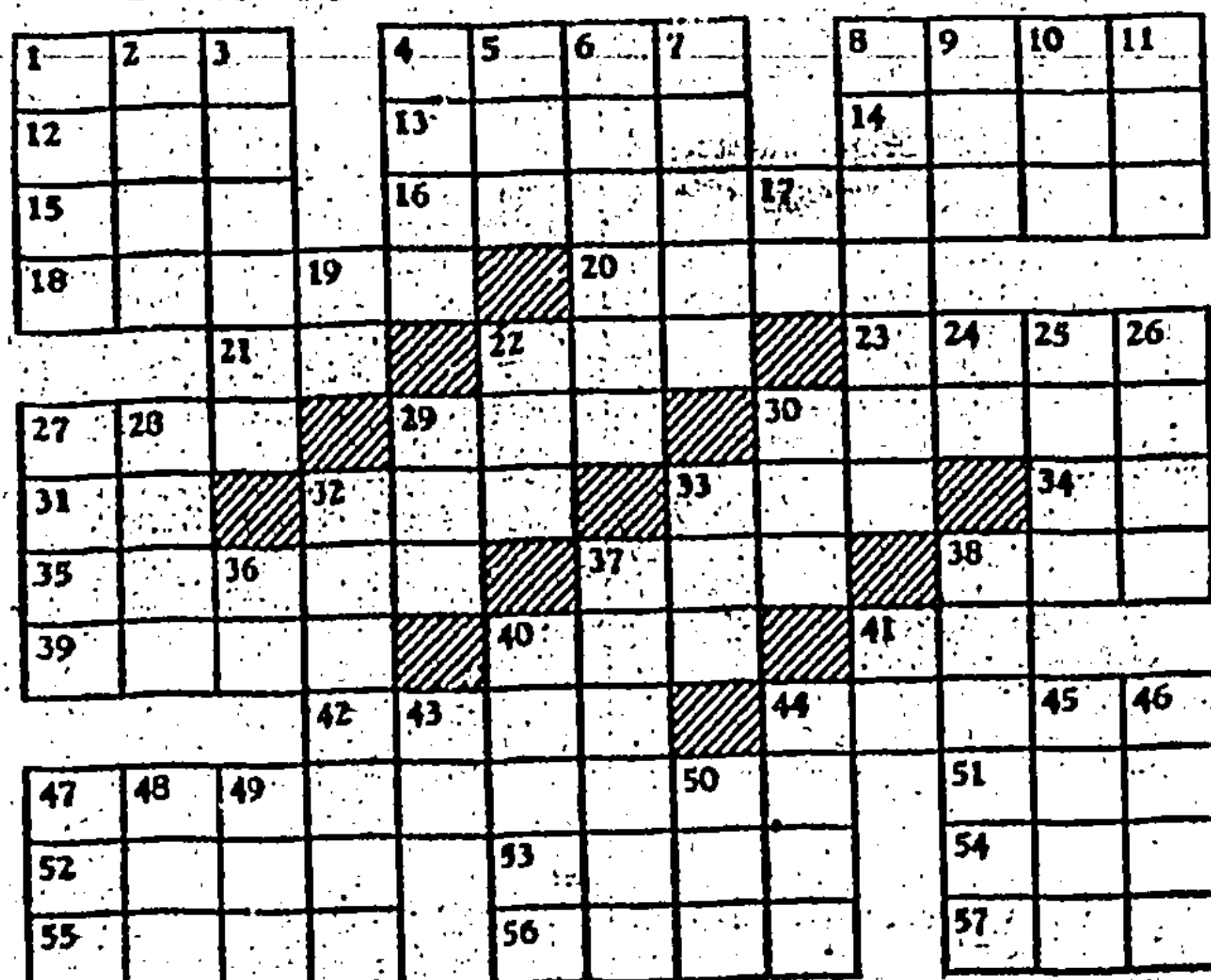
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- 18 Roman household gods
- 20 Greek silver coin
- 21 Symbol for copper
- 22 Poem
- 23 Fresh-water porpoise
- 27 Ibsen character
- 29 Vessel's curved plank
- 30 Coral island
- 31 Chinese measure
- 32 Eulard stick
- 33 Insect
- 34 French article
- 39 City in Ohio

VERTICAL

- 37 English river
- 38 To employ
- 39 Part of leg
- 40 Insect
- 41 Breposion
- 42 To move rapidly
- 44 Glacial ridge
- 47 Having no harmful qualities
- 61 Anger
- 62 Observed
- 63 Disposition

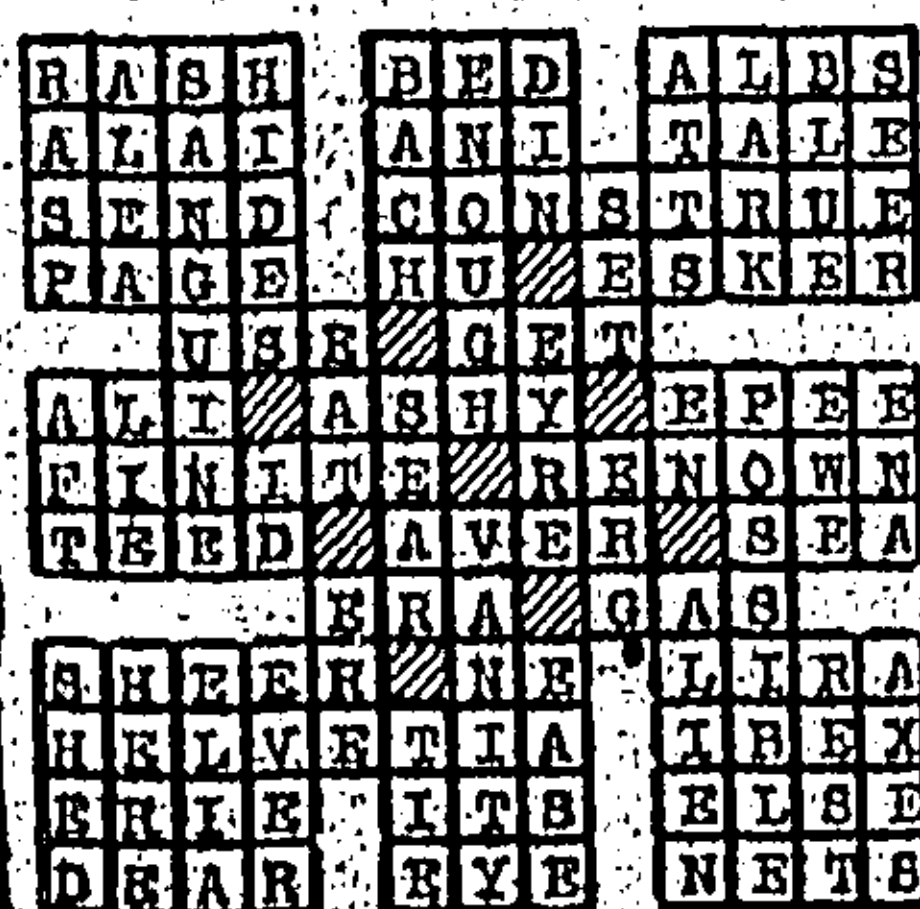
VERTICAL

- 1 Fiber from peacock feathers
- 2 Solo
- 3 Infrequent
- 4 Drinks
- 5 Mudworm
- 6 Air

VERTICAL

- 7 Allurement
- 8 Faculty
- 9 Pouch
- 10 High note
- 11 Wire
- 12 measure
- 17 Toward
- 19 Prefix: good
- 22 Unit
- 24 Negative
- 25 Misfortune
- 26 To the sheltered side
- 27 Exclamation of sorrow
- 28 Hindu religious sect
- 29 Heavenly body
- 30 Beverage
- 32 To forgive
- 33 Cost
- 36 Japanese measure
- 37 Roundabout way
- 38 Cruel
- 40 Any animal other than man
- 41 Exists
- 43 Symbol for actinium
- 44 Sort
- 45 Silkworm
- 46 To count
- 47 Doctrine
- 48 Born
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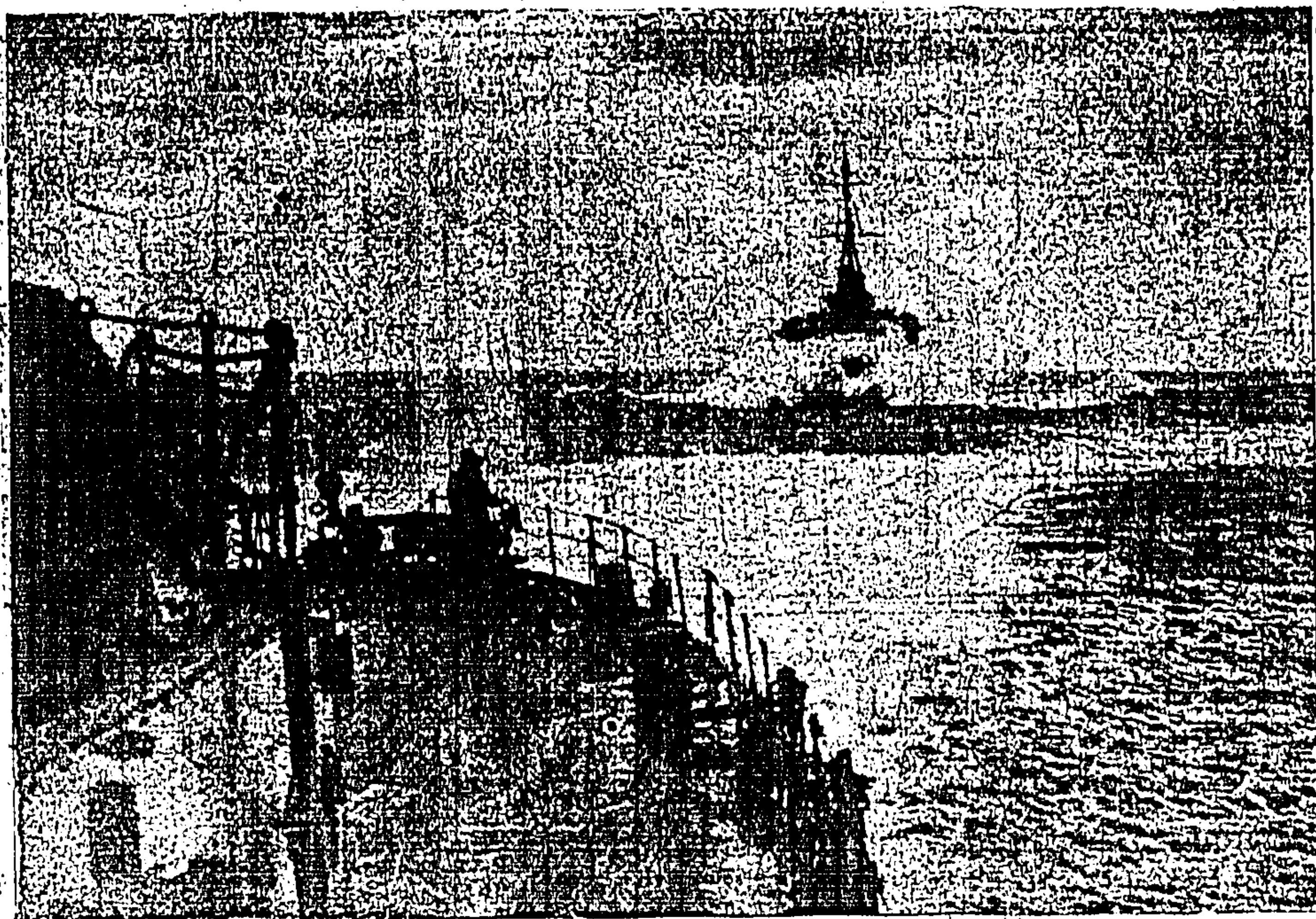
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Head Of British Oil Company Under Arrest Or Abducted

A PROMINENT BRITON, Mr. Miller, who is the administrator of the Astra-Romano Oil Company, was arrested at midnight on Tuesday at the Astra Company's Sports Club at Unagow, 20 miles from Bucharest.

Four Government men in civilian clothes made the arrest, which has just been disclosed in Bucharest.

Mr. Miller's whereabouts are unknown as he was driven away in a car. The British Consulate is making inquiries.

Mr. Miller is the sixth Briton to be arrested by the Rumanian authorities.

The arrest is considered the most important hitherto as he holds the leading position in the biggest oil company in Rumania.

Or Kidnapped?

Later reports received in Bucharest, however, indicate that Miller may not have been arrested but kidnapped by Iron Guards. General Antonescu, the Prime Minister Dictator, is reported to be seriously perturbed at Iron Guard outrages, particularly the anti-Jewish outburst, and in conference with Iron Guard leaders has insisted upon the cessation of unruly activities. The leaders maintained that hooligans outside the legionary movement were responsible.—Reuter.

EXTRA TEA FOR HEAVY WORKERS

Heavy workers who have qualified for an extra ration of sugar may soon also have an extra ration of tea.

The extra ration will be granted at the discretion of the local food officer, but an official of the Ministry of Food said:—

"Any heavy worker should have no difficulty in obtaining the extra ration."

Blast furnace workers, tin plate workers, harvesters, coal heavers, dock workers and kindred trades are among those who were granted the extra ration of sugar and who will benefit by the extra allowance of tea.

The basis upon which the Ministry of Food calculate the ration and extra ration is that a pound of tea will provide 200 good-sized cups of tea.

Applications for this extra ration may be made to the local food officers.

AIRMAN BURIED AS SON BORN

A flight-sergeant in the R.A.F. and his wife were looking forward to the birth of their baby, due to arrive on the first anniversary of their wedding.

But baby was late. He was born on the day of his father's funeral.

The parents of the baby were Flight-Sergeant Instructor Roy Nelson and Mrs. Leta Nelson, aged twenty-two, of Trafalgar Terrace, Darlington.

By a coincidence, Mrs. Nelson's father died the same day. Mrs. Nelson told a reporter:—"My husband was looking forward so much to having a son. In his last letter he sent a kiss from 'Daddy to baby'."

"He always seemed to be sure we would have a boy. He even chose the name for him, Brian Lewis. Now I am going to add my husband's name, so baby will be christened Brian Roy Lewis."

OBJECTOR'S B.B.C. POST

Charles Frederick William Chilton, described as an assistant producer at the B.B.C. of Queen Alexandra Mansions, Judd Street, London, unsuccessfully applied at the London Conscientious Objectors' Tribunal for exemption from the combatant forces.

He asked to be enrolled in the R.A.M.C. or naval medical service saying he had had first-aid training.

The chairman (Judge Hargreaves) said Chilton's views were not so much those of a conscientious objector as a lack of faith in war being able to do any good. His name would be removed from the register, Chilton said he would appeal.

GOWN OF COTTON FOR HEIRESS

An heiress bride wore a cotton dress for her wedding to an M.P. She did so as a war economy measure and because cotton suited the simplicity of the Victorian style in which it was made.

The bride was Miss Anna Margaret (Peggy) Greenwell, who was married in St. John's Church, Westminster, to Mr. James Henderson Stewart, M.P. for East Fife since 1933.

Her becoming white dress was just plain cotton longcloth, such as the Victorian brides used to hem diligently to make sheets for their bottom drawer.

Her small nephew and niece, Rosemary Miles and Patrick Casement, also wore white cotton Kate Greenaway costumes.

In the absence of her brother, the present baronet, Sir Peter Greenwell, who is a prisoner of war in Germany, the bride was given away by her uncle, Colonel McClintock.

In a House of Commons speech in 1937, Mr. Henderson said that he was a bachelor because he was blessed with a superb mother, "in comparison with whom it seems impossible to find a modern young woman fit to be a wife."

FIJI'S BOMBER FUND

MORE GIFTS CONTINUE TO REACH ENGLAND FROM ALL PARTS OF THE EMPIRE, AND SOME OF THE LATEST COME FROM FIJI.

At Suva, the capital, Europeans, Indians, Chinese and other nationals joined with the Fijians in a carnival, as a result of which the Governor has sent £5,000—part of the proceeds—to the Red Cross and St. John's Ambulance Fund.

Gifts for this fund so far received from Fiji total £11,500.

The Fiji bomber fund now stands at £57,500.

The Fiji fund for London air-raid relief now stands at £1,300.

All in all, an imposing array of gifts from this small possession in the Pacific.—Reuter.

CHINA MAIL WINDSOR HOUSE

THE REAL WAR

There is one attribute of the British people which Hitler has judged with approximate accuracy. We are not a naturally belligerent people. We have enjoyed so great a measure of freedom in our way of thinking and living that we are apt to take a benevolent view of the outside world with which we have wished to remain in peace and friendship.

It may be difficult, even in wartime to rid ourselves entirely of this tendency. We are well aware that every Briton worth the name detests Nazism as a loathsome tyrannous conception. We are resolved to fight it until either the Nazis or we are extinguished. There is no middle course.

And yet when invasion is threatened and does not immediately take place we are inclined as a people—and this excludes the Fighting Forces—to get off our toes and relax; to allow secondary matters to take possession of our thoughts.

It may be typical of our race, but it is also dangerous. The Prime Minister has found it necessary to repeat to the nation that invasion, which seemed so near when France collapsed, is not less likely today.

The brilliant successes of the R.A.F. against mass enemy air attacks may have again induced a fatal mood of relaxation. It should be dispelled by the recent words of the Secretary for War. Mr. Eden reminded the country that for us the real war has hardly begun. It will begin when we have resisted and destroyed the enemy attempts to invade us, when we have built an expeditionary force of a strength and striking power sufficient to roll back the enemy from the lands he has violated.

A RIDDLE FOR NAZIS

Even the good Nazi—that is, the purblind fanatic who gives the credence of the slave mind to everything handed out to him by Goebbels—must have a faint glimmering of suspicion that all is not well with the German Air Force.

It is doubtful if he has enough of independent thinking left to tot up the scores of British aircraft which Goebbels destroys. But the effect of these fantastic figures may be to cause him to wonder how it is that since the

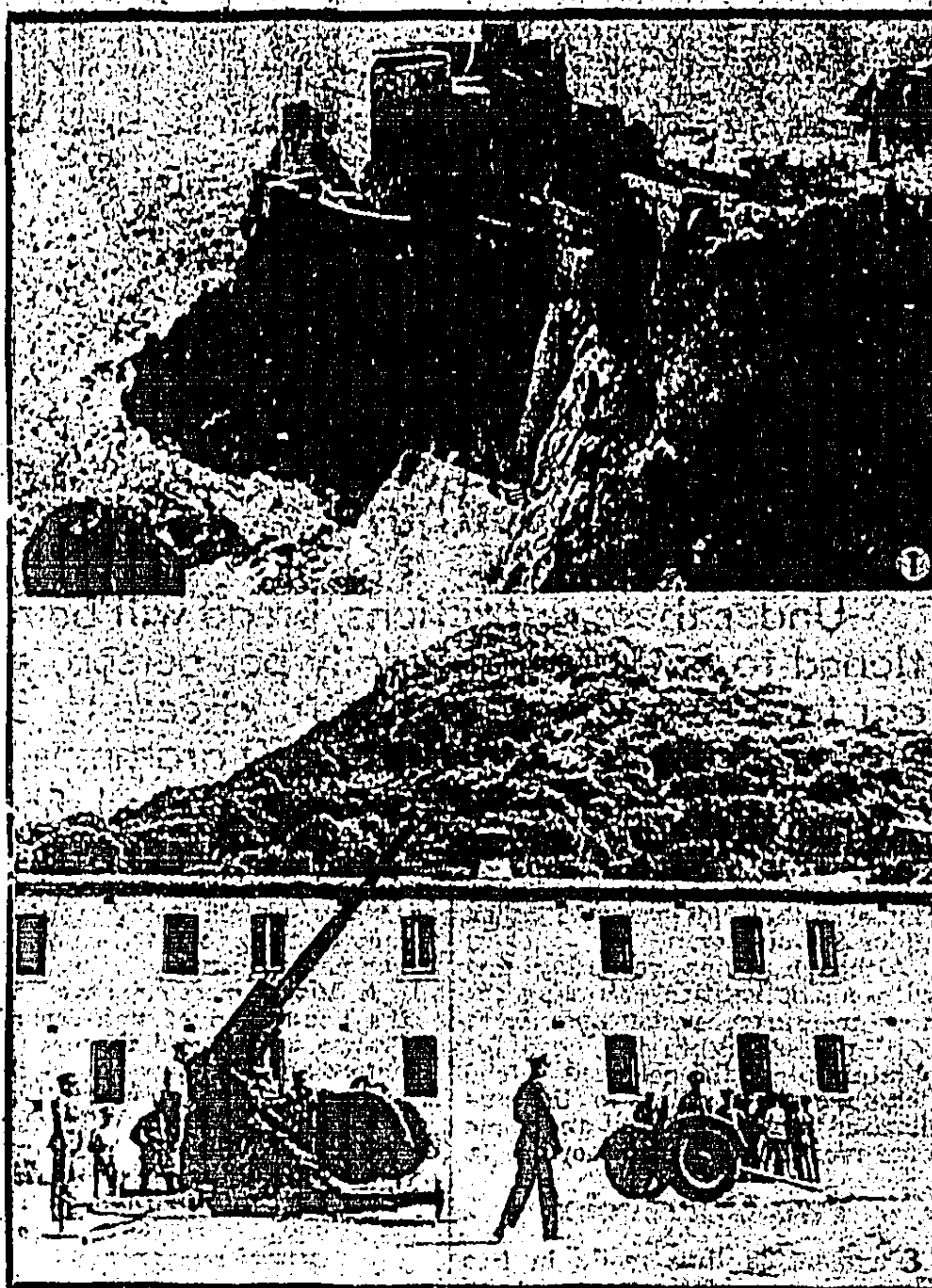
Gibraltar, Britain's Naval Key to the Western Mediterranean, has recently been subjected to bombing attacks which its anti-aircraft defences repelled successfully. With the same success British guns on Gibraltar have fired on enemy fleets during the last two hundred years.

A natural fortress, rising sheer from the sea on three sides, to a height of over 1,400 feet, it is practically inaccessible except on its more gradual western slope which is protected by the defences of the Town, Dockyards and Harbour. Above these are nine-inch guns (as shown in Picture 2) overlooking Algeiras Bay towards Tarifa, where the Moors first landed in the eighth century. The Moors attacked and captured "Calpe," as it was then called, from the land side under Tarik, who named it "Gibel Tarik" (Tarik's Hill) which has become "Gibraltar."

But if any would-be aggressor thinks he can capture the "Rock" today from the sandy isthmus

British Air Force has been swept from the skies—just as the Royal Navy, as every Nazi knows, has been driven from the oceans—"those devils of the R.A.F." as an exasperated German officer called them, persist in doing such damage every night to military objectives in Germany and the occupied countries.

If the British Air Force is beaten how can it continue to function with such destructive effect? Here is a riddle which will tax the mental agility of the unscrupulous Goebbels. Not all the miracles of multiplication which his accountants perform on the losses of our aircraft nor their equally marvellous division of the German machines tumbled out of the skies by our airmen can answer this irritating question. The good Nazi must be beginning to shake his bewildered head.



No. 1: A corner of Gibraltar, our Mediterranean stronghold.

No. 2: Men of the British Army ready to man a big gun at Gibraltar.

No. 3: One of the 3.7 anti-aircraft guns on guard.

No. 4: H.M.S. "Ramillies", one of the battleships of the Mediterranean Fleet, in dock at Gibraltar.



Key To The Mediterranean

leading from the custom's barrier at La Linea along the causeway to the "North Front" he would get a rude surprise. For this only level part of the whole promontory is the most highly defended of all, lying as it does under the fire of batteries cunningly hidden in the steep cliffs above, where the famous "Galleries" were cut through the rock during the "Great Siege" of 1779 to 1783, and still afford excellent cover and air-raid protection. Here also are the rain-water catchways and storage tanks, so that there is no danger of water shortage even in the event of a modern siege.

The entire "Rock" now bristles with coastal batteries, (Picture 1), which have been built—or converted from old forts—on every rocky point and corner of the promontory. Any attacking Fleet would have to run the gauntlet of formidable coastal batteries before reaching the Inner Harbour.

The invincibility of Gibraltar has been proved throughout its history, although it surrendered during the war of the Spanish Succession to the combined English and Dutch fleets under Sir George Roke and the Prince of Hesse-Darmstadt in 1704. It was finally ceded to Great Britain by the Treaty of Utrecht in 1713. Since then covetous eyes have frequently been cast at Gibraltar, and attempts have been made to take it by arms or diplomacy. The elder Pitt is said to have contemplated exchanging it for Florida or Puerto Rico, but popular feeling was too strong to allow it.

During the Napoleonic Wars it was invaluable as a Naval base, with its Dockyards affording repairs and supplies to the Fleet, and it was to Gibraltar that the body of Lord Nelson was brought after his death and victory at Trafalgar. To this day the room may be seen where he lay in the eighteenth century house by Rosia Bay. The guns of many famous British sea-Captains and Admirals have been heard from Gibraltar—Drake, Howard of Edingham, Blake, Howe, Rooke and many more.

Economically Gibraltar is somewhat hard-hit, as her main revenue is derived from port and harbour dues, Crown rents, and duties on tobacco and alcohol imported for home consumption. As this is, of course, largely curtailed, as Gibraltar is now just a fortress, with the defence of the "Rock" overshadowing all other considerations. It was, however, one of the ports for contraband trade, and all ships passing in and out of the Western Mediterranean had to call there.

It was not protected by the British Fleet supplies might be difficult in war-time, as all fresh fruit, meat and vegetables are imported either from Spain or

Morocco, for the "Rock" itself is too small and barren to be cultivated, although it has luxuriant vegetation in places.

The climate is sub-tropical, the heat in summer and when the East wind or "Levanter" blows being oppressive and damp. But the spring, winter and autumn are delightful, in spite of a heavy rainfall, and thanks to the sanitary improvements of the last fifty years the death rate stands comparison with that of England.

Of limestone formation, the "Rock" is rich in natural defences such as cave sand tunnels, in which the fossils of many mammals have been discovered, the "Rock Apes" being said to have come by an underground tunnel from Africa. Although the soil is of a rocky nature (as seen in Picture 3) it abounds with wild

flowers, ferns and shrubs—one plant, the "Iboris" being peculiar to Gibraltar—while palm-trees, monkey-trees and other sub-tropical vegetation flourish in the Alameda Gardens, and in a few squares and streets. The streets themselves are well-known for their highly-coloured shop-fronts, chiefly Indian bazaars, with a few old Spanish curio shops full of rusty treasures.

Such is Gibraltar, the Western gateway to the Mediterranean, first traded with by the Phoenicians, Carthaginians and Greeks, then colonised by the Romans, captured by the Moors, re-taken by the Spaniards under Ferdinand and Isabella of Spain, surrendered to Britain in 1704, who has since held it to guard the Straits of Gibraltar in peace and war, as a bulwark to defend her Empire.

Child Evacuees Thrive

The half million children moved from danger zones under the British Government scheme are thriving on the minor revolution which evacuation has brought in to their lives. Every report made by the education authorities or by officials of the Ministry of Health emphasises the same thing: "an amazing improvement in health all round."

The mass exodus has done more than place the children in safer areas. It is broadening their outlook in a way which would have

been impossible under peace conditions. It is introducing them to the countryside, to new people, new ways of living, new ideas, new customs. Though not of the text book kind, this is education, education of a very valuable kind.

Most of these children were from the towns—some of them did not know what an egg looked like. Now they are learning the infinite delights of spring and summer woods, of the meadows and sweet-smelling hayfields. Their new country friends are teaching them country ways and customs, always to close a gate after you so that the "stock" will not wander; not to trample on the crops because damage to them means wasted food. For the first time in their lives they are learning, and at first hand, how much every community owes to the land and the farmers.

All these lessons they have shown themselves quick to learn. For the English town child is adaptable and takes a keen interest in every activity. They are helping with the harvest, have learned to milk cows, churn butter, feed animals, ride the farm horses. They are helping to dig potatoes and gather in the fruit crops. They pull sugar beet, gather acorns for fodder and gather, wash and grade the eggs for market. Where there are rivers or lakes many have learned to fish, to manage sailing boats and rowing boats. Frequently they run allotments. One school took over ½-acre of rough land and in the first season produced enough vegetables to feed everybody. The same school got hold of a barn where the boys saw logs and do carpentry, while the girls have a class where they mend and make clothes, knit socks and jumpers and mend their own stockings and the boys' socks. They made the uniforms for the entire company of their own girl guides. In their turn the town children and their teachers have brought a new stimulus into the village life. London schools, for instance, have the advantages of highly trained teachers and in some cases equipment which the country school would not have at its disposal. The use of films is a notable example. Town schools are generally ahead of village schools in using the good supply of films available on many subjects, and 120 projectors have gone out with evacuated London schools and over 3,500 films have been sent out from the films library—about 300 a week. A London teacher using them for his class has often made the country teacher realise what he has been missing.



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SEVERE RATIONING ORDERED BY VICHY

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NEW FOODSTUFFS RESTRICTIONS WERE ENFORCED THROUGHOUT NON-OCCUPIED FRANCE YESTERDAY.

Under these restrictions, bread will be rationed to 350 grammes daily per person, sugar to 500 grammes a month, cheese to 50 grammes a week, pastes to 250 grammes a week, fats to 100 grammes a week and meat to 360 grammes a week.

There are 28.35 grammes to the ounce, so that 100 grammes is just under 3½ ounces.

Although shops yesterday met with no difficulties enforcing the new measures, restaurants were hard put owing to the need for obtaining multi-coloured food tickets corresponding to the authorised menu, while at the same time receiving payment for meals.

Two Currencies

Payment is thus made in two currencies — ordinary cash and little square papers equally distributed among the populace, who obtain their calories in an amount proportionate with the country's reserves.

Meat is only allowed on certain days of the week, 100 grammes being used with 20 grammes of fats for cooking. People forgetting their food tickets may buy fish, fowl and vegetables.

The authorities did not enforce very strict control over restaurants

and markets during the first day, as many people made mistakes simply because they were not used to the new measures.

A Vichy message says that the population of non-occupied France understand the need for enforcing the new restrictions and accept them cheerfully. Diners good-humouredly chaffed harassed waiters in restaurants on the difficulties encountered in settling accounts in both cash and food tickets. — Havas.

NO LIGHTING FOR RAMADAN FESTIVAL

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

No illuminations will be held this year for the traditional Ramadan festival celebrations in Egypt and the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan.

The decision was taken in conformity with the advice of the A.R.P. committee. — Havas.

SIX-HOUR TOUR OF RAID SHELTERS

Sir Edward Evans, one of the regional Civil Defence Commissioners for London, on Tuesday night paid visits extending over six hours to a number of air raid shelters in London. He had long talks with the occupants of the shelters and with the Wardens and Shelter Marshals. — British Wireless.

INDIAN GUNNERS MISSING

Two men of the H.K. Singapore Brigade, R.A., who have been missing since Monday, have been posted as deserters. They are Badahur Khan and Zahoor Mohammed Ahmed.

GERMANY WON'T FREE PRISONERS

A plea for the release of French prisoners of war in Germany is described by Germany as "unprecedented impertinence."

An official announcement states: "The French people seem to have utterly misunderstood the manner in which Germany has been treating the French people. They seem to have forgotten that after the World War it took years and not weeks before France began releasing German prisoners."

"They should remember this before making inopportune demands in the midst of war." — Reuter.

BRITAIN INTENDS FULL BLOCKADE OF GERMANY

THE MINISTER of Economic Warfare spoke of the successful work of his Department yesterday when addressing a National Defence and Public Interests Committee.

The blockade, Mr. Dalton said, had achieved remarkable success in the first year of war.

Both Germany and Italy were seriously deficient in such key commodities as oil, ferro alloys, rubber, lead, copper, textiles, without which it was impossible to carry on modern war. Although Germany benefited from the loot she obtained from conquered territory, the advantage was only temporary and was offset by the loss in substantial imports she formerly received from the occupied countries which were now the subject of blockade. Stocks thus seized, though larger than he liked, were not large enough to add more than some months' supply to the enemy's resources.

Speaking of surpluses, the Minister said he was sure that certain neutral countries would understand it was contrary both to their own interests and to the policy of H.M.G. that they should accumulate large stocks of goods needed by the enemy and he added that a Committee of Ministers had completed an exhaustive survey of the principal areas affected and also of the principal commodities of which large surpluses exist.

He said that the German situation was such that the blockade was achieving its purpose.

Clear Policy

"The lines of policy to be pursued are clear. To succeed fully, they require the effective co-operation of a number of countries, notably the British Commonwealth, U.S.A. and the Latin-American Republics."

I see in this development the beginning of economic planning on a world-wide scale. How much more hopeful such a prospect seems than all the futile fantasies of Dr. Funk."

Speaking of the enemy's oil supplies, which he described as the "key commodity," Mr. Dalton reminded his audience that the German war effort in 1918 died out when oil supplies had fallen to one million tons. To-day's powerful, highly-integrated but brittle Nazi economy would have a much higher die-out figure. Mr. Dalton added that his experts told him that the Germans

had now nearly exhausted the oil stocks they captured in the occupied territories.

Turning to the European food situation, the Minister said that in Europe as a whole there would be no famine this winter and there was enough food to go round if properly shared out. Although he had given much thought to the subject and had the benefit of much expert advice, he had been unable to discover a satisfactory watertight scheme which guaranteed against food imports into any part of enslaved Europe finding its way into Nazi bellies.

The Test

Proposals to relax the blockade seemed to him exceedingly untimely and Mr. Dalton added: "Night after night German airmen scatter bombs, many indiscriminately, over London and other parts of our country. They return after killing and maiming our women and children to enjoy excellent breakfasts in German Air Force messes just across the Channel in occupied France, Belgium and Holland. They feed on food stolen from the French, Belgians and Dutch. Why should we put more food into the occupied countries for them to steal? Why should we, fighting for our lives and still exercising command of the sea routes, be expected to provide better meals for these Nazi fly-bys?" — British Wireless.

THIS BED WILL BE A BLOW

Invention of an air-conditioned bed with a dial which enables the occupant to fill it with hot or cold breezes is announced in U.S.A.

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CHATTER CAUSE OF MURDER BID

THE PROSECUTING SOLICITOR IN A CASE OF ALLEGED ATTEMPTED MURDER AT STOCKTON-ON-TEES SAID OF CHATTERBUGS WHO TOLD THE ACCUSED WOMAN WHAT WOULD HAPPEN WHEN THE GERMANS ARRIVED:—

"These women would be dealt with if only we could get hold of them and bring them to this court."

Before the Court was Rose Wood, thirty-five, of Swainby Road, Stockton, who was sent for trial accused of the attempted murder of her three children by coal gas poisoning.

Prosecuting, Mr. T. Jackson described it as a pathetic and distressing case. He said: "It appears this woman has been in a very neurotic and nervous state, and there have been certain chatterbugs telling her what would happen when the Germans arrived here."

HIGH ENGLISH MORALE IN AIR RAIDS

THE SUPERB CONFIDENCE and cheerfulness of people at home were continually stressed by Dr. Winifred C. Cullis in an interview in Shanghai this week. Dr. Cullis, an eminent English physiological professor, is at present in Shanghai on a tour of the Far-East for the Ministry of Information. She has come to lecture on the valuable work being done by women at home, and to tell of some general aspects of life in England.

Professor Cullis, who travelled extensively through England before leaving five weeks ago, was everywhere struck by the "rock-like" confidence of the people in the face of danger.

"The more trouble that comes, the higher the spirit of the people seems to rise," she said. "The moral at home is unbreakable, and everywhere, despite the many tragedies that are occurring, the atmosphere is one of cheerfulness." In the course of the interview she gave many examples of the courage and fortitude with which England is facing the present crisis, no doubt being expressed that Britain will eventually come out on top.

Dr. Cullis told of the surprise she felt when in America of the lack of belief in British confidence, and ability to hold out. The attitude of the Americans seemed to be, she said, that what news came out of England on the course of the war was minimised as much as possible, the result being that American newspapers grossly exaggerated small incidents.

On one occasion, she said, she was talking to a young American, who seemed sceptical of the small damage being done in the air raids. He showed her a headline in one paper, reading, "English City Devastated by Aerial Bombs."

She made the young man read the opening paragraphs of the story, and it came out that what had really happened was that a row of eight slum cottages had been knocked down, with the loss of two lives.

Air Ministry Figures Accurate

One point that Dr. Cullis emphasised was that Air Ministry figures for the result of aerial battles with the Nazis are absolutely accurate. In America, she said, the general opinion was that they are more accurate than the German estimates, but she dismissed this as ridiculous, as there can be no doubt of the authenticity of the figures. A friend of hers in England, who saw one of the earlier mass raids on a coastal town, described it as a "game of skittles" once the British fighters came on the scene. German planes were shot down one after another, with few British losses.

The individual superiority of British pilots is unquestionable, she said, and once parity with the Nazis in actual numbers of planes is established, this will become even more apparent. Dr. Cullis recalled talking to an R.A.F. pilot about the poor aim of the German bombers. The pilot ascribed this to lack of training in navigation. R.A.F. men received a long training course, with considerable opportunities for practice, whereas the German pilots are quickly put into the air with little practice, due to the shortage of gasoline in Germany. Once, she said, she was in Cardiff, and went through four air raids in a day and night. On the next morning, a German communiqué announced that Bristol had been heavily bombed, and large portions of the city wiped out!

R.A.F. Tactics

The organisation of R.A.F. tactics has been brought to a very high degree. Methods of dealing with enemy aircraft so as to cause the minimum of damage to areas below the raiders have been worked out and are successfully put into operation time and time again. An example of this was given by the Professor. While in a town in Scotland, an air raid warning was given, and R.A.F. fighters went up. The German bomber, which was out at sea attacking some trawlers, on which she dropped all her bombs, was driven inland by a number of Spitfires. Two other Spitfires were

seen streaking out to sea again, apparently in the wrong direction. The plan, however, soon came to light, as when the bomber again turned for home, she was intercepted and brought down by these two fighters.

The attitude of people at home is one of calmness and cheerfulness, she said, little vicissitudes being shown at the time she left. Among those returning from the Dunkirk evacuation, however, there was a spirit of venom.

Stories told by some of these men indicated the ruthlessness of the German methods in Europe. It was a frequent sight to see German tanks passing over wounded and helpless refugees.

Invaluable Work

The work of women in the present conflict is invaluable, stated Dr. Cullis. The Women's Volunteer Service, which has a membership of 600,000, with only 57 paid officials, does extremely useful work in connection with the forces, such as nursing and catering. Another extremely useful side of women's activities, and one seldom mentioned, is the service women who receive evacuated children are performing. Often over-worked, and with large families, these women are undertaking their task without complaint. The contact between town children and country children is valuable to both, and a greater understanding is coming about between the two classes.

PREPARED--THEY BEAT BOMB

MORE THAN 100 incendiary bombs were dropped on a town in South-East Scotland—and in every case where householders had sand and extinguishing apparatus handy the bombs were made harmless before they could do much damage.

In other cases damage to rooms was considerable, although only one house was made uninhabitable. Housewives had a poor opinion of the bombs. "They would make very poor firefighters," one said.

A hero of the raid was Mr. Duncan Stewart, who, although without A.R.P. training, averted serious damage to one tenement and probably saved the life of a neighbour by following instructions he had read in newspapers.

Slept Through It

Mr. Stewart had dealt with an incendiary bomb in the street when he was told that there was a light on the roof of the building in which he lived.

Obtaining a bucket of sand, he climbed into the rafters and dealt with that one. His neighbour slept throughout the incident.

Prompt action by a nineteen-year-old youth prevented damage to property when an incendiary bomb fell into the garden of a house during an East of England air raid recently.

The youth was Edwin Hannath, and three hours after dealing with the bomb he left home to join the Navy.

Bomb Rolled

Mrs. Hannath said: "He was standing near our air raid shelter

ATTACK ON TRAWLERS

Returning from an inland raid yesterday, three Messerschmidt fighters dived out of formation to machine-gun three trawlers off the South-East coast.

They then attempted to attack a balloon barrage but were driven off by anti-aircraft fire. The trawlers, which began to zig-zag when attacked, carried on.

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WANCHAI INCIDENT

Tam Wai, 27, mason, was charged before Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., this morning with demanding money with menaces from Chan Kau; and with causing grievous bodily harm.

It was alleged that defendant demanded \$10 from the complainant in Thomson Road on Tuesday, and that when refused he attacked the man.

Detective Sergeant V. Morrison said that Chan Kau was still in hospital.

Defendant was remanded for a week.

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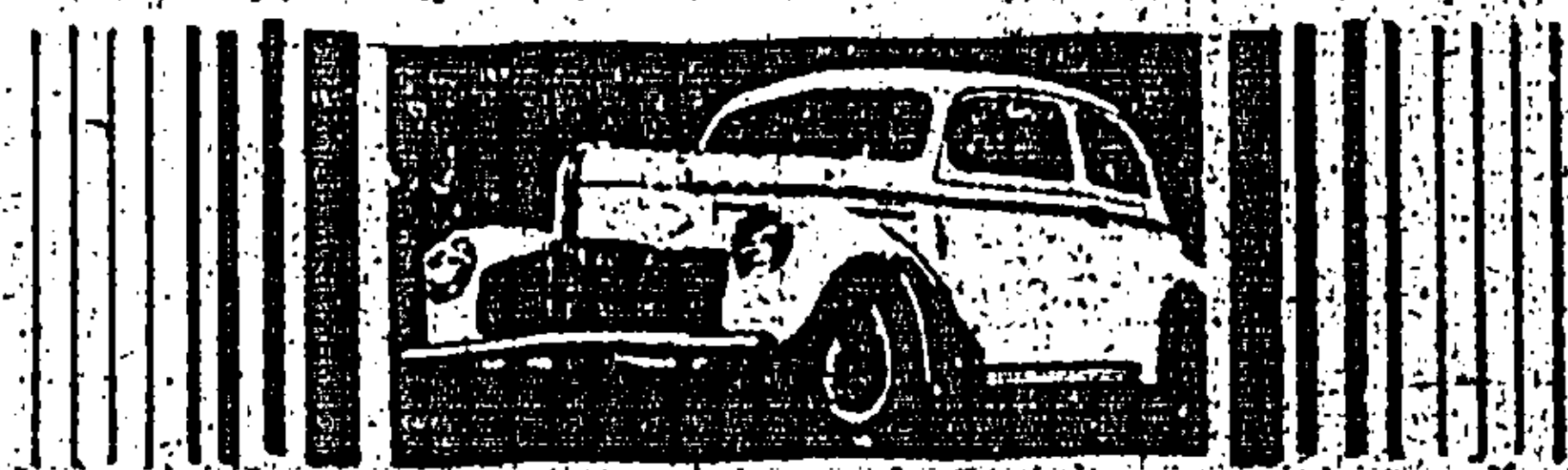
Mr. E. W. Davies, Crown Solicitor of No. 403, The Peak, has reported the theft of a purse containing \$13 from his room between 11.30 p.m. on Tuesday and 6 a.m. yesterday.

Mrs. Cheung, of No. 8, Conduit Road, has reported the theft between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. yesterday, of a shark skin suit valued at \$45.

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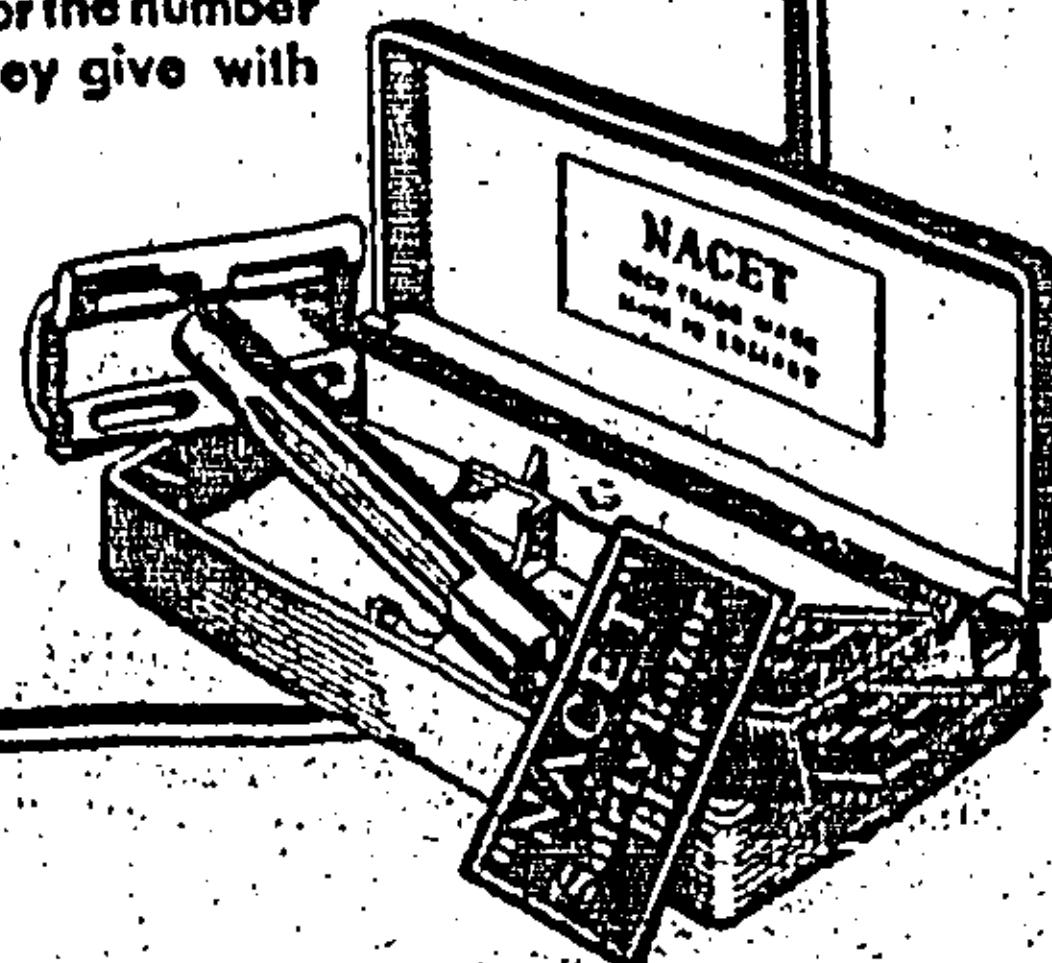
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THE FRENCH SCOUT MOVEMENT

In order that the French scout movement may be carried on, Free Frenchmen have registered the Scout Association with the Boy Scouts' International Committee. This Association has made its headquarters in London where hospitality has been given it by the Imperial headquarters of the Boy Scouts' Association.—British Wireless.

A.F.S. MERGER IN LONDON

The unification scheme under which the Auxiliary Fire Service becomes temporarily merged with the London Fire Brigade has been brought into operation.—British Wireless.

Bringing Up Father

By George MacManus



A PAGE FOR WOMEN

Good Speech

It is possible to have good speech and to speak with charm if one truly desires to correct unlovely speech habits. You must first study yourself and listen to yourself speak. Then you should listen long to a person who speaks very well — enunciates clearly, rhythmically, uses correct grammar, and has something to say! Use that person as a model and improve your voice and delivery.

In a new book, "Sing Your Way to Better Speech," Miss Gertrude Walsh stresses the importance of good posture. She writes: "There is a close relation between a flexibly erect posture and good speech. It is impossible to produce a full rich tone when your body is rigid or when you slump in the chest, or at the waistline. Your chest should always be held easily up and forward, as this helps to establish right conditions for the incoming breath, the very substance of which voice is made."

"Then, too, this posture suggests health and mental alertness, whereas slumps, either at the waistline or chest, may indicate indifference, carelessness, or illness. If you establish a line of balance in your body, keep your back straight, and your chest up and forward, your vital organs will have more space for correct functioning and a vacuum will be created for incoming breath. Such conditions, combined with freedom of the muscles around the throat, chest and shoulders, are basic for good voice and speech."

How To Breathe Correctly

Once you have mastered good posture and attain it when you sit, walk, stand or dance, you should learn to breathe correctly, so the words you speak will come out of your mouth in full, rich tones, nicely spaced and adding to your poise. If you find your words stumbling out one after the other in a gibberish manner you might try to memorise these suggestions:

As you breathe, enjoy the sensation that comes with the inflation of the torso.

Do not try to take too much breath at once.

Practice with ease at all times.

Never try to control the outgoing breath. This will be taken care of naturally. If you faithfully practice voice exercises,

Make sure that you do not move your shoulders.

Occasionally yawn to get the sensation of an open mouth and throat.

Make sure that your tongue does not drop back in your mouth and block your tone passage.

Rest a little after every exercise.



An optimistic is he who thinks love will lead him along a path of roses for the duration, or life.



Deanna Durbin is consistently conscious of good posture. Perhaps that is why she charms vast audiences whether she sings or merely acts in pictures.

The Quickest Beautifier

There is nothing in the world that will take the place of sleep as a beautifier, and especially sleep in the early part of the night.

There is good reason why the term "beauty rest" is applied to the hours before midnight, and pay no attention to the theorist who tells us that many people sleep too much. If you sleep in the fresh air, either outdoors or with your bedroom windows wide open, and with not too much covering, it is impossible to sleep too much! When your body and mind have rested adequately, you will find your eyes opening voluntarily to the daylight.

There is no beauty culture that can possibly be of value if you do not allow yourself sufficient sleep — and that applies to the young as well as to older women.

Children Need More Sleep

When children are very small they cry when they are tired and want to go to bed. That's before they can talk. When they know how to talk, they seem to say "I don't want to go to bed" as their first complete sentence! They feel they are missing something, or they long for the pampering of those who raise them, and unconsciously they realise that when they are sleeping they will be alone, and not in the company of those whom they have learned to love, and depend upon. Later, during

adolescence, it is quite usual for children to take an adamant stand and loudly refuse to go to bed. They argue that they do not need any more sleep than their parents. They long to go out and stay up until midnight. They yearn to be mature so that no longer will they be forced to obey their elders.

Wise parents, of course, insist on sufficient sleep for their adolescent child, despite protestations. During that period a girl needs nine, ten or eleven hours of sleep. It is better for her to retire early and to get up early, than to retire at a late hour and get up just before the school bus calls for her!

Explain to your child that she cannot hope to be beautiful and strong, and capable of attainment unless she gives her body the rest it needs for growth. If a girl has an acne condition, she should get much sleep, watch her menus and keep meticulous care of her skin. Frequently a nervous condition will cause a poor complexion and she should rest long enough to soothe her jumpy nerves.

Women's Needs

Women who work hard during the day and are called upon to go out during the evening should definitely catch "forty winks" at the end of their working day — or at the end of any arduous day. It also pays to steal one day a month for complete relaxation. Stay in bed reading or dosing, don't answer the telephone, don't trouble to think. Simply rest.

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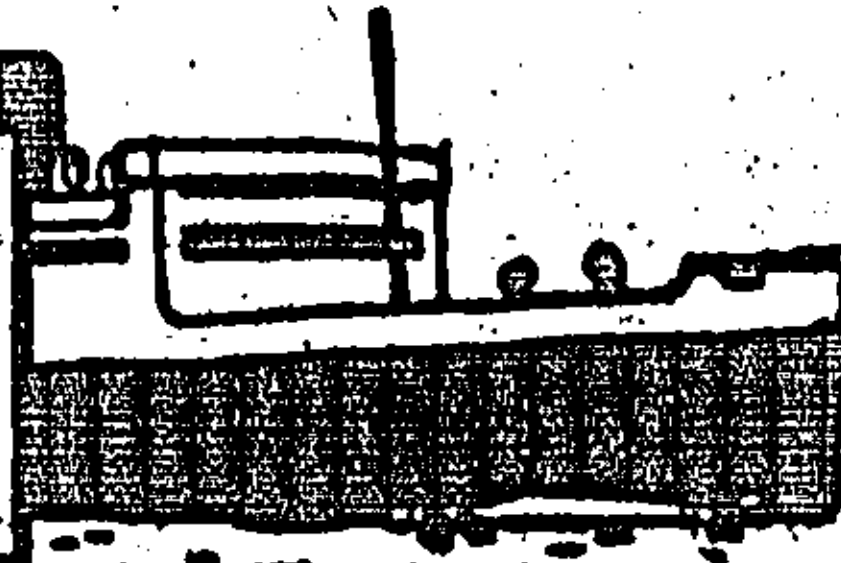
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RADIO

12.15 p.m.—Short Service of Intercession.

12.30 p.m.—Compositions of Bach.

1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.02 p.m.—B.B.C. Recording—"Flying High"—Part II.

1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press. Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 p.m.—Moreton and Kaye (Two Pianists).

2.00 p.m.—Casani Club Orchestra.

2.15 p.m.—Close down.

6.00 p.m.—Mozart—Concerto in E Flat Major—Gieseking (Piano) with Orchestra.

6.32 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.34 p.m.—Light Opera Selections.

7.00 p.m.—Variety with Les Allen, Carol Gibbons and Boy Friends. Rat Kirkwood with Jack Hylton and some of his Boys, and Scott-Wood and his Six Swingers.

7.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 p.m.—Studio—A Recital by Capt. T. A. Thompson (Bass) with A. T. Lay at the Piano.

8.25 p.m.—Band of H. M. Royal Marines, Plymouth.

8.45 p.m.—Local Newsletter from the Studio.

9.00 p.m.—London Relay—The News and Topical Talks.

9.30 p.m.—Variety with Sydney Gustard, Leslie Hutchinson, Cicely Courtneidge, Vic Oliver, and Billy Cotton's Band.

10.00 p.m.—Dance Music.

11.00 p.m.—Close down.



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GIRL, 15, AIDS IN CAPTURING NAZIS

BETTY BROWN, fifteen-year-old daughter of a farmer on the south-east coast, helped to capture two German airmen — an officer and a sergeant — when their plane crashed near her home.

She heard her mother cry for help and, racing downstairs wearing bedroom slippers, ran out towards the plane, which had come down about 100 yards away.

Then she saw that the airmen were not British, as she had thought, but German. They had managed to escape from the plane.

But she ran on.

At that moment a milkman and the foreman of the farm, who had a shotgun, appeared, and together they approached the airmen and disarmed them.

The girl, who is still at school, told a reporter:—

"I was not a bit frightened. The only thing that worried me was my bedroom slippers. They kept falling off my feet as I ran."

"When I heard my mother cry for help I thought the crashed plane was British. Then as I ran out to it I saw the two German airmen leaving it."

"I decided to go on, and when I was nearing them the foreman and a milkman ran up, too. The foreman had his shotgun, and the Germans handed over their revolvers without any trouble."

He Saluted

"Then we marched them off to await the Air Force people. I walked behind to see they did not try to escape!"

The German machine had been shot down by British planes.

After being taken to a railway station by R.A.F. men, the captured officer saluted and shook hands with the W.A.A.F. driver who drove him away.

CAR STOLEN — FINE OWNER

A man who had his car stolen from his garage was fined £5 at Burton-on-Trent for not securing it during the hours of darkness.

It was the first case locally under the new proceedings, and the Mayor commented that it showed the importance of the order. The car, he said, could have been used by an alien for subversive purposes.

Dr. A. Slater, the defendant, said he regularly removed the rotary arm, but on this occasion it was early in the morning when the car was put in the garage.

In evidence it was stated that the garage doors were not locked. The car was later found by the police, having come into collision with a pillar.

TYPHOON NEARING N. LUZON

The Royal Observatory reports that the anticyclone is stationary over China, pressure being highest over Mongolia. The depression is moving North-Eastward over S. Japan and the typhoon is situated about 600 miles east of N. Luzon, moving W.N.W.

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RITZ FETE FOR CHARITY

The National Women's Relief Association, Hong Kong Branch, now beginning its fourth year of relief work, is holding a two-day fete at the Ritz on October 9 and 10 to raise funds for war relief.

Madame Sun Fo is president of the Association, and serving on the Committee are Mesdames P. P. Ho, Huo Po-hsai, Fung Ping-fan, Wong Man and Miss Hu Muk-lan, with Mrs. Kan Chia-hou as Hon. Secretary.

Proceeds taken at the two-day fete will be shared between the Association and the Peace Memorial Hospital.

HOTELS TO BE GUARDED

Government departments in commandeered hotels in Blackpool are to have a special guard following the discovery of sabotage attempts by fire at one of the hotels.

Six fires within a short time have occurred in one hotel. Three of them were on successive days.

The Home Office forensic laboratory was consulted. Investigations bore out suspicions of attempted arson.

The matter had been brought to the notice of the Emergency Committee for Civil Defence, and the Town Clerk, Mr. Trevor Jones, communicated with the Ministry of Home Security.

He stressed the importance of closer supervision and the need for protective arrangements generally for all Government premises in Blackpool.

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SENIOR LEAGUE TITLE TO BE DECIDED TO-DAY

First Division of the Tennis League will probably be decided to-day when Chinese Recreation Club, present Champions, and the Indian Recreation Club, runners-up for the past few seasons, meet on the former's courts, Causeway Bay, commencing at 5 o'clock.

Both Clubs have hitherto not met with defeat and as the players seem to be very evenly matched, some close and interesting tennis should be witnessed.

The following teams have been selected:—

C.R.C.—Tsui Wai Pui and Tsui Yun Pui; Paul Kong and Ho Ka Lau; Lu Tak Cheuk and Chan Tak Chan.
I.R.C.—S. A. Rummah and H. D. Rummah; O. Rummah and I. M. A. Razack; A. H. Madar and A. R. Minu.

A. W. GRIMMITT FAREWELLED

An informal gathering of members of the Civil Service Cricket Club was held yesterday when a farewell presentation was made to Mr. A. W. Grimmitt, who is to leave on retirement soon. The gift was a leather dressing case, inscribed, and a fountain pen.

Hon. Mr. H. J. Pearce, Vice-President, made the presentation, and those present were Messrs. P. D. Cravley, Chairman, J. A. Bendall, Hon. Secretary, A. B. Allen, C. Walker, F. Jones, W. Gardner, H. and C. Strange, H. E. Purvis, J. Gellatly, W. H. Colledge, S. Eccleshill, A. Watson, J. Lacey, J. Carr and Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Simmonds.

GAOL FOR BOOSTING NAZI RADIO

"The real criminals responsible for this poison have not been brought to justice," said a Judge at the Old Bailey to an accountant found guilty of telling people the wavelength of a German propaganda radio station styling itself the New British Broadcasting Station.

The man—William Bruce Tomkins, aged twenty-seven, of Dy-sart Avenue, Kingston-on-Thames, Surrey—was sentenced to six months' imprisonment.

Referring to "foul lies" in literature found in the possession of Tomkins, Mr. Justice Atkinson said:

"I ought to punish severely anyone who helps to spread this poison, but I cannot bring myself to punish with severity a humble tool such as you when the real criminals responsible for bringing into existence this poison have not been brought to justice."

Mr. L. L. A. Byrne, prosecuting, said that Tomkins had forty-one sticky-back labels giving the wavelength and times of broadcasting of the station.

It was alleged he told his landlady he was a follower of Sir Oswald Mosley, that he knew "Lord Haw-Haw," and had been introduced to Unity Mitford.

3 Months For Cafe Talk

Sentence of three months' imprisonment was passed on Samuel Herbert Hitchen Edward Milligan, aged thirty-nine, a painter, of East Dulwich Road, at West London Police Court for "endeavouring to cause disaffection in Private Hanson, of the Auxiliary Military Pioneer Corps."

Hanson said that during a conversation in a Brixton cafe, Milligan told him he had seen men arrive at Folkestone from Dunkirk. He said they were all young lads, and the police had up barricades so that the people could not see them.

"You are fools to fight. My friends won't fight. Go back and tell your mates," said Milligan. Milligan, who said he was chairman of Camberwell Trades Council, denied Hanson's story. He joined the Artillery when he was fourteen and served till 1923.

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BIG TRACK MEET NEXT WEEK

UNIVERSITY TO MEET LINGNAN

SEVENTEEN EVENTS for men and six for women are included on the programme for the athletic meeting between Hong Kong University and Lingnan University of Canton to be held at Caroline Hill on Monday, October 7, and Thursday, October 10.

Scoring will be on a 4-2-1 basis for individual events, 5-0 for relays, and 6-4-2 for the Pentathlon, an event included on the programme at the specific request of Lingnan. The Pentathlon will comprise the 200 metres, 1,500 metres, long jump, discus throw and javelin throw.

Lingnan will be represented in this even by Yu Mow-wai and Mau Hok-ming, and Hong Kong U. by C. Y. Ip and Frederick Kwai. Yu, of Lingnan, has a record of 2,200 points for the event, but Kwai, a newcomer from Shanghai, is considered a strong challenger.

An event that has not been included on the programme is the One Mile Run or its metric equivalent. It has not yet been decided if the running and hurdling events will be contested over yard or metric distances.

Hong Kong University will enter the competition the favourites by a good margin, though Lingnan, where much depends on the form of individual competitors, must not be under-rated.

Doubtful Starters

On the casualty list and doubtful starters at the moment are Chan Shiu-but, star long-jumper and hop-step-jumper from Lingnan, and Kaan Chee-kin, Hong Kong University's outstanding high-jumper. Both, it is understood, sustained injuries in practice for the meet.

The loss of Chan in the jumps, an event where the H.K.U. are particularly weak, may prove a serious blow to Lingnan, as the former Lingnan Middle School athlete and Kwangtung Provincial Champion in the triple jump, would be a certain winner in the events.

He will, however, be competing in the weight events, where he may be considered a challenger to Schiller and Derkach of H.K.U. in the Shot Put and Discus Throw.

Chan For Three Events?

Another probable winner for Lingnan is Chan Kwok-hung, who may complete in three events, the 400 and 800 metres and long jump, and is certain to take points in at least two. Clocking near 54 seconds in the 400 metres, at his best and consistent at 56 seconds, he has, on present form, hardly a challenger from H.K.U.

Hong Kong University have a marked superiority on paper in only three events, the High and Low Hurdles and the Pole Vault. The ladies are an uncertain quantity, though Miss Beatrice Greaves of H.K.U. should win the long jump and come in well in the sprints, while Miss Chan Yuk-man of Lingnan, who has put the eight-pound shot out to 7.9 metres, which is better than the Colony record, is an almost certain winner in the event.

The Captains

Close competition should be seen in a number of events, and the rival captains, K. M. Au, of Hong Kong University, and Chan Shiu-but, of Lingnan, should be among the most prominent point-scorers at the meet. Both are entered for a number of events.

Hong Kong University are depending on very little new blood, the freshman class promising only Frederick Kwai, who has been clocked in under 10½ seconds for the 100 yards and is reported to be able to run the quarter-mile in 50 seconds. He has two strong opponents in the short sprint in Yu Mow-wai and Lam Hon-chung of Lingnan.

The Hong Kong Hockey Association fixtures meeting arranged for 8 p.m. to-day in St. Andrew's Hall has been postponed to October 10.

LEAGUE TENNIS

In "C" Division of the Tennis League, South China Athletic Association beat Club de Recreio by six sets to one at King's Park yesterday.

H. A. Bee and C. Lee (S.C.A.A.) drew with H. F. Gonsalves and A. E. Noronha 6-6
beat A. M. Silva and A. M. Alves 6-1
beat H. A. Noronha and G. H. Noronha 6-3
H. K. Ho and C. L. Lau (S.C.A.A.)
beat Silva and Alves 6-1
beat Noronha and Noronha 6-3
N. K. Ng and H. C. Kwok (S.C.A.A.)
drew with Gonsalves and Noronha 6-6
beat Silva and Alves 6-3
Two sets were not finished.

C.R.C. v A.T.C.

Chinese Recreation Club beat Army T. C. by nine sets to nil at Causeway Bay.

F. K. Lau and C. C. Chiu (C.R.C.)
beat Emerson and Duffield 6-2
beat Adlam and Murray 6-2
beat Denyer and Stondr 6-0
Y. Y. Lam and W. K. Ma (C.R.C.)
beat Emerson and Duffield 6-2
beat Adlam and Murray 6-0
beat Denyer and Stondr 6-4
Wei Chung and O. L. Pang (C.R.C.)
beat Emerson and Duffield 7-6
beat Adlam and Murray 7-5
beat Denyer and Stondr 6-2

KOWLOON TONG WIN

At Kowloon Tong, the home team beat the University by seven sets to two.

MATCH POSTPONED

League Table

The match between the K.I.T.C. and Jewish R. C. was postponed.

	P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
C.R.C.	7	7	0	0	59	4	14
K.I.T.C.	7	6	0	1	42	20	12
S.C.A.A.	6	6	0	1	35½	10½	10
K.T.G.C.A.	6	5	0	1	23	29	10
C.D.R. "A"	6	4	0	2	21	21	8
H.K.P.S.A.	6	3	0	3	27½	28½	6
H.K.U.T.C.	7	3	0	4	38	35	6
K.C.C.	7	2	1	4	24	39	5
A.T.C.	7	2	0	5	25	38	4
C.D.R. "B"	9	1	1	7	24½	56½	3
C.S.A.	3	0	0	3	0	21	0
J.R.C.	5	0	0	5	2½	42½	0

CRICKET

WEST AND ALLISON IN FORM

Although they were dismissed for a meagre 54 runs, Royal Corps of Signals made a team from H.M.S. Tamar go all the way before the latter were able to win by 3 wickets on C.B.S. ground yesterday.

Against the deadly bowling of Barton, Allison and Collingwood, Signals batsmen fared badly, not one double-figure score being registered.

Tamar, aided by Lt. Kilbee, former H.K.C.C. opening bat, had 33 runs on the board with three wickets down but, when still five runs short of their opponents' score, they had lost an additional four wickets.

West batted soundly and was associated with Mitchell in a stand of 54 for the last wicket, the latter's contribution being 3 not out!

SIGNALS

Cpl. Blount, l.b.w., b Barton	7
Cpl. Bedford, b Allison	7
L/Cpl. Murphy, b Allison	1
Sgt. Dixon, b Allison	1
L/Cpl. Pitcher, c Barton	1
Sgt. Lithauer, c Barton	5
Sgt. Brackenbury, b Allison	5
L/Cpl. Smith, b Allison	1
Col. Copsey, b Collingwood	1
Sgt. Lees, b Collingwood	8
L/Cpl. Parry, not out	18
Extras (B14, LB4)	18

Total 54

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
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Barton	6	0	19	3
Allison	7	2	9	5
Collingwood	2	6	8	2

H.M.S. TAMAR

Snell, c and b Dixon	6
Sharp, b Dixon	0
Lt. Kilbee, run out	13
West, l.b.w., b Dixon	53
Allison, b Dixon	10
Boyes, b Dixon	4
Wilson, run out	6
Lt. Collingwood, c Murphy, b Dixon	0
Barton, b Dixon	2
Horgan, b Dixon	2
Mitchell, not out	3
Extras (B4, NB3)	7

Total 111

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
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Dixon	8	0	58	8
Blount	5	0	23	0
Lees	2	0	23	0

AQUATICS MACAO TOUR REVIEWED

By "Natator"

The Macao Chinese water-polo team completed their annual schedule of friendly water-polo games with the Hong Kong Chinese Clubs, on Tuesday, when they were defeated by the Chung Shing Benevolent Society water-polo team in their last fixture.

During their five-day stay, they played four games, securing a win over South China, and losing to Eastern and Chung Shing. The other game with Chinese Bathing Club was abandoned after a few minutes of play when the captain of the Macao contingent had a disagreement with one of the C.B.C. players, and walked out of the game with his team.

In their first game with South China, the Macao team was quite brilliant, and showed good knowledge of water-polo tactics, constantly out-manoeuvring the South China team, with the result that they scored three times to South China's two.

In their game with Eastern Athletic, it was obvious that the strain of turning out every day was telling on them, as they played listlessly, and were swamped by the home team by eight goals to nil in a purely one-sided affair.

Strongest Team

Eastern fielded their strongest team, and from the outset were determined to trounce the visitors. The game, which was played fifteen minutes in each half with 10 minutes rest, was hardly fair to the visitors, as they were a tired team, and there was also a strong sea current at that time. The time for a water-polo game as laid down in the rules, should be of fourteen minutes actual play of two periods of seven minutes each, and a three minutes interval. Where it is not convenient to play under these conditions, it has been the practice locally to play ten minutes each half, all in, with the customary three minutes interval.

The result of this extra long period of play was that the Macao goal was being continually hammered, and it is nothing short of miraculous, that they managed to hold the score down to eight goals. In spite of the 10 minutes' respite, the team was all out, and the only one who can be said to have played fairly well was their custodian, but he was not supported by his backs. For Eastern, Kew scored four times, his last being a backhand, whilst Shoo Hung-yul, Chu Chuk-yau and Shek Kam-pui accounted for the others.

An Improvement

In their last game with Chung Shing they displayed a bit of the sparkle of their first game, and they can be considered as having done quite well by only losing to the home team by four nil, when it is considered that they were playing the strongest Chinese combination in the Colony. Chung Ching-hung scored twice, and Ng Nin and Chan Sek-pui each scored once for the home team.

In all their games, weakness in the Macao team's forward line was apparent, the only one having any idea of playing forward being Chov Chak-lau, who scored two of their total of three goals. On many occasions the ball was passed to them, but they were not in position to score, being either too far away or at a bad angle. Their backs also lacked experience, and instead of clearing the ball first time, attempted to dribble past their opponents in their own danger area, which often proved disastrous.

The following represented Macao during four games: Air Wing-keung, Poon Wai-fai, Leung Wing-kwan, Ng Kai-hung, Chan Yung-kong, Choy Chak-lau (2), Kwan Kin-fai, Hong Po-man (1).

ARTILLERY BEAT "BOWLSTERS"

Corps Artillery had their revenge over the "Bowlsters" in a lawn bowls match at R.C.C. yesterday, winning by 20 shots. On the first meeting of the two teams "Bowlsters" won quite easily.

The following were yesterday's scores:

Corps Artillery	Bowlsters
Sgt. Abbas	A. W. Cornell
Sgt. Lloyd	F. Filippance
Capt. Jack	J. Smith
B. S. M. Walker	Hon. S. Dodwell
(Skip)	24 (Skip)
Sgt. Gittins	Hon. J. A. Fraser
Sgt. Capell	Sgt. Alford McGregor
Sgt. Carr	A. W. Hodges
Sgt. Sherriff	J. F. McGowan
(Skip)	24 (Skip)
Sgt. Bone	E. Searle
Sgt. Gillard	N. L. Smith
Sgt. B. Bingham	Dr. Newton
B. S. M. Rose	J. Deakin
(Skip)	19 (Skip)

Bowls Tourney

At Recreation yesterday U.M. Omar beat A. J. Hall 21-16 in the bowls championship. At Kowloon Football Club A. Eastman beat H. A. Alves 21-13. At Civil Service A. R. Minu beat C. S. Rossell 21-10; W. Hong Sing beat J. C. Remedios 21-12; R. F. da Luz beat W. K. Way 22-0.

RANDOM SPORTS JOTTINGS

IF the Sir Walter Lawrence silver statuette (plus 100 guineas), awarded to the player who hit the fastest century of the year in first-class cricket, could have been put up this Summer for players in the leading Leagues it is almost certain the winner would be Wilfred Barber.

The Yorkshireman, now a professional with Brighouse, hit the fiercest hundred in the Bradford League has ever known when he took 154 off the Bradford bowling on June 6.

His first 50 came in 21 minutes and 100 in 38 minutes. He hit nine 6's and twenty 4's, so that all but 20 of his runs came from boundary shots!

FEW will recall that Jack Hobbs was an in-swing bowler of real gifts, and fewer still know that among his host of records was that of achieving the fastest all-round season's work ever known in the 88 years of the Bradford League's history. During the last war, when he was professional to the idle club, he finished season 1918 with a haul of 780 runs (Average 50.00) and 59 wickets (Average 6.67). No one ever equalled that double-harvest feat in the Bradford League. Now, however, that record of 24 years' standing seems certain to be beaten by Derbyshire's George Pope, in a dozen League games for Lidget Green Pope has hit 473 runs and collected 60 wickets.

WHEN M. Boussac, the French sportsman, changed his mind and decided to let his crack colt, Djebel, run in the French Derby, before competing for the English Classic, he little knew he was jeopardising £50,000.

That would have been the normal value of the wonder colt had he won the Derby as well as the Guineas, which most shrewd judges think he would have done. M. Boussac's original plan was to let Djebel go to Steve Donoghue's Blewbury stables after the "Guineas," but he decided to send him back to France for the Derby before tackling the English Derby. That went wrong when the German swept to the Boussac stables. If they looted the colt he will be worthless. No German word will be taken on the subject of a horse's identity. That is generally accepted in British breeding circles.

HERE'S what has happened to the Arsenal team of last season, everyone of whom, with the exception of Clifford Bastin, is either serving, waiting to be called up or in employed occupations by reason of their peace-time skill.

Bastin, has been rejected because of the ear trouble which dimmed the brilliance of his football career for the last two seasons.

Cumner is in the Marines, Leslie Compton in the police, but has

registered, Hapgood and Bryn Jones have registered and are awaiting call-up, and George Mala and Leslie Jones have reported for R.A.F. duty. They John Marks, Scott, Crayston, Kirchen, Drake, Sidney, Pugh, and Curtis. Tom Whittaker is also in the R.A.F., and George Allison is Home Defence river patrol.

George must have got his job on his sailing experience.

THIRTY years ago a syndicate of three men about Town bought a steam yacht and the costumes to go with it.

3 Men In George Allison, John Brockett—a former sports editor of the "Daily Mail" and the first sports journalist to broadcast—and Gordon Moore, one of the happy band of amateur internationalists—Sammy Hill-Wood collected in his Glossop days.

The yacht made one trip and a profit of £1. The cost of the boat was £25 and they sold the engine for £28—after a crazy down-Thames cruise Jerome would have made immortal.

Among the adventures were forgetting the tide went out miles at Southend and crashing into Tilbury Pier because there was no reverse on the engine and Captain Allison ran her in with, instead of against, the tide or slashed his mizzen or something.

Anyway, the plotmaster had hysterics and George handed his cap to Able Seaman Hoque. It must have been a good engine.

220 Back-Stroke Trial Expected To Be Thrilling

Cream of Colony's Talent Competing

By "ADREM"

COMPETITION AS keen as that seen in the recent Colony championships is promised this evening when, at Victoria Recreation Club, trials will be held to determine Colony representatives for the forthcoming Interport with Manila, in those events not included in the championships.

Particularly interesting this afternoon should be the 220 yards back-stroke event for men in which the cream of the Colony

talent, including Wilfred Lawrence, the 1939 champion, who did not defend his title this year, and A. K. "Smalley" Rumjahn, the current 100 yards title-holder, will be taking part.

Other prominent contenders will be Lionel Roza Pereira, still re-

markably fit although getting on to the veteran stage, B. S. Wilson, the promising young European Y.M.C.A. star, and Lau Yiu-ting, who, although he gave Rumjahn many a rare tussle prior to the championships, was unable to compete.

It is known that Lawrence is taking this trial very seriously and is very keen on securing a place in the Interport team. He has never been seen in action in a back-stroke event over 100 yards, however, and his form over the 220 will be watched with much interest.

Rumjahn's Stamina

I think, however, that the race this afternoon will be between Rumjahn and Wilson. Rumjahn's stamina is such that he did fairly well in the harbour race using the back-stroke, while Wilson's ability was proved in the recent invitation events at the Army pool, when Rumjahn only managed to

beat him by a touch over 200 yards.

It is noteworthy and praiseworthy that Ng Nin, the Colony breast-stroke champion, will not be taking part in the 220 yards breast-stroke trial. While Ng is quite good with the orthodox stroke, his forte is the "butterfly" stroke over the shorter distances and he would be ill-advised to strain himself.

Best of the field to-day in the 220 yards breast-stroke appear to be Fong Ching-yiu, a consistent performer this year, and Ho Poon-kan and the race is likely to rest between them, although I think it likely that the W. Kwok, who is also down to swim, may be Kwok Chun-hang, the former Colony record-holder.

Two good women's events should be seen this afternoon, when the 50 yards breast and back-stroke trials will be held. In the breast-stroke event, Miss

Vivienne Churn, the "butterfly" expert, appears almost certain to win, with probably Miss Lee Poo-luen and Ho Wai-man finishing in that order. Miss Weir, however, also no mean exponent of the "butterfly," is also taking part and she should not be disregarded.

Miss Sadick is in a class by herself in the back-stroke and should win that event easily, even over the short distance, while Miss Tsang Fung-kwan and Miss J. Lopes can also be expected to do well.

The entrance fee will be 20 cents and receipts will go to the "South China Morning Post" Bombing Fund.

Following swimmers are expected to turn out this evening:

MEN
220 Yards Breast-Stroke: J. Marques and A. Alves (V.R.C.), Fong Chung-yiu (Lai Tsun), Ho Poon-kan (South China) and W. Kwok.
220 Yards Back-Stroke: W. Lawrence, A. K. Rumjahn, Tony Lopez, L. Roza Pereira (V.R.C.), B. S. Wilson (Eur. Y.M.C.A.), Lau Yiu-ting and Poon Win-kai (Lai Tsun).

WOMEN
50 Yards Back-Stroke: Miss Tsang Fung-kwan (Lai Tsun), Misses C. Gutierrez, I. Lopes, and E. Grant (V.R.C.) and Miss Lily Sadick (C.B.C.).
50 Yards Breast-Stroke: Misses V. Churn and Doreen Weir (V.R.C.), Miss Lee Poo-luen (South China) Misses Ho Wai-man and Au Mei-chun.

POOR TIMES IN MANILA TRY-OUTS

Poor marks were registered on Sunday in the first of a series of swimming tryouts conducted by PAAF swimming officials to select members of the Philippine tank squad which will be sent to Hong Kong for the Philippine-Hong Kong Interport swimming meet to be held on Oct. 23, 24 and 25, says the "Manila Bulletin."

A total of 24 candidates, 23 men and one woman aspirant, turned out for the opening tryouts yesterday. Such leading swimmers as Basanung, Ladja, Ali Saundin, Ely Misaya, Palileo, D. Roque and D. Bonus were among the first candidates to report.

Twenty-two swimmers, 14 men and 8 women, will be selected to form the Philippine team. The delegation is scheduled to sail from Manila on Oct. 19.

Not Yet Warmed Up

Basanung and Ladja, two Moro splashers of great promise, dominated in the 100-metre free-style tryout, but failed to turn in impressive times. Apparently local swimmers have not yet reached their peak in performance as the local swimming season started only recently. Basanung won the first heat of the 100-metre free-style with a time of 1:04.6, while Ladja captured the second heat with a time of 1:04.0.

The next tryouts are scheduled for Thursday afternoon, Oct. 3, starting at 4.30 o'clock at the Rizal Memorial swimming pool. Tryouts in the following events will be held: 200-metre free-style, 150-metre medley race, 100-metre breast-stroke, 50-metre back-stroke and all events for women.

The complete results of the tryouts follow:

100-METRE FREE-STYLE
First heat: 1. Basanung, 1:04.6; 2. Lavadia, 1:05.9; 3. Saundin, 1:07.5; 4. Requiño, 1:13.2.

Second heat: 1. Ladja, 1:04.0; 2. Palileo, 1:04.3; 3. Misaya, 1:05.0; 4. Dianzon, 1:08.6; 5. Garcia, 1:09.4.

200-METRE BREAST-STROKE
First heat: 1. D. Bonus, 3:01.0; 2. Udajil, 3:05.0; 3. J. Roque, 3:09.1; 4. J. Castro, 3:12.1.

Second heat: 1. D. Roque, 3:00.4; 2. Taino, 3:01.2; 3. F. Bonus, 3:07.1; 4. Callao, 3:13.2; 5. G. Barton, 3:16.4.

400-METRE FREE-STYLE
1. Basanung, 5:26.1; 2. Villanueva, 5:29.9; 3. Palileo, 5:37.0; 4. Lavadia, 5:38.8; 5. Ladja, 5:40.7.

100-METRE BACK-STROKE
First heat: 1. E. Bonus, 1:16.3; 2. Udajil, 1:17.7; 3. Sorangiao, 1:18.3; 4. Carbonnel, 1:19.1.

Second heat: 1. Salamat, 1:16.0; 2. Garcia, 1:18.0; 3. Trinidad, 1:20.5.
150-metre medley race: 1. V. Labayen, 3:06.5.

BOWLS SINGLES DRAW

Following is the draw for the fourth round of the Open Singles Lawn Bowls competition issued this morning by Hong Kong Lawn Bowls Association:

MONDAY

C. C. Pereira v. H. White at K.F.C.

McGuicheon or Hyde Lay v. W. Hong Sling at K.F.C.

E. C. Fincher v. T. A. Mhdar at R. crolo.

M. N. Bakusen v. A. Eastman at Craigengower.

M. R. Abbas v. A. R. Minu at Craigengower.

TUESDAY

Caroy or Holland v. Strange or Jones at Craigengower.

W. J. Howard v. C. G. Silva at K.B.O.C.

WEDNESDAY

A. M. Omar (holder) v. R. F. de Luz at K.B.O.C.



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AIR MAIL SERVICE RESUMPTION

It is announced by Imperial Airways that it is hoped to resume the air mail service via Bangkok shortly.

A service plane carrying mails will leave on Saturday and an inward plane, carrying mails, is expected on Monday.

GANDHI'S MIND NOT MADE UP

The Mahatma Gandhi spent the best part of his 72nd birthday yesterday in the third-class compartment of a train, returning to Wardha after his abortive conversations with the Viceroy in Simla.

Correspondence exchanged between the Mahatma and members of the Congress Working Committee suggests that he is not anticipating precipitate measures and this is corroborated by the statement issued by Gandhi on his arrival at Wardha yesterday, asking Congress members not to be impatient.

He stated that he hopes to be ready with a plan of action by the time the Working Committee of Congress meets.

In the meantime, Gandhi directs Congress members not to resort to civil disobedience either direct or indirect.—Reuter.

BUENOS AIRES' RED CROSS DONATION

The British community in Buenos Aires has sent £7,000 to the British Red Cross, £2,500 to the Scottish Red Cross and £1,000 to the London air-raid relief fund.—Reuter.

Large Scale Attempts

BRITISH FIGHTERS, CONTINUING THEIR HEROIC BATTLE IN THE DEFENCE OF LONDON BY DAYLIGHT, WERE OFFICIALLY STATED LAST EVENING TO HAVE INTERCEPTED AND BROKEN UP FORCES OF "SEVERAL SQUADRONS OF ENEMY AIRCRAFT WHICH DELIVERED A SERIES OF ATTACKS ON THE CAPITAL THROUGHOUT THE DAY."

Few of the enemy formations—estimated unofficially to have totalled over 200 machines—penetrated to the London area, states an Air Ministry communique.

The official statement adds that reports indicate that where bombs were dropped they caused little damage and few casualties, though these included some fatally injured.

Both on their way to and from London, it is revealed, some of the German planes dropped bombs on Kent coastal towns.

This phase of yesterday's actions began at about 8 a.m. Earlier, single aircraft had made several brief raids.

They came in not only over the South Coast but over the East Coast as well.

Isolated Raids

A few bombs, says the Air Ministry, were dropped at isolated points in South-West England, South Wales and Essex, resulting in little damage and few casualties.

If the German Air Force had hoped to wear down the British fighter defence in the day's excursions—one of the primary objects of their visits in between mass raids—they appear to have failed again.

Reports so far received, states the Air Ministry, show that nine enemy aircraft have been shot down and only one R.A.F. fighter is missing.

Six "Alerts"

Some of the raiders which gave London six "alert" warnings in the course of the day were engaged over an East End district.

Watchers on a City roof saw the climax. British fighters surrounded the raiders, shepherded them together and then dived, making head-on and rear attacks. The enemy fled towards the Kent coast.—Reuter.

Ten Altogether

Later, it is learned that ten enemy aircraft were destroyed yesterday,

nine by fighters and one by A.A. fire.

Besides one machine destroyed by ack-ack fire over South-East London on Tuesday night, it is now learned that two enemy aircraft were shot down on Monday afternoon over the Sussex coast by Lewis Gun fire.—Reuter.

Thames Guns Bark

Thames Estuary A.A. guns destroyed one of yesterday's raiders—a Messerschmidt 109.

During the night, gunners were responsible for the longest explosion heard over South-East London since bombing began.

The gunners thought they had hit the German bomber but the noise was so great that they wondered whether they had not perhaps exploded the bomb load as well.

In the morning, they had their answer. They had done both.

Their shells had struck one of the London night raiders and the bomber and bombs had exploded together.

Pieces were found scattered over several miles of South-East London.

New Tactics

Yesterday's raids brought a change of tactics by the German Air Force.

Instead of single bombers or one or two large-scale attacks, smaller raids of from four to eight enemy bombers and fighters followed each other from nine in the morning till four in the afternoon. They all crossed the Kent coast in the same direction and were attacked by Spitfires and Hurricanes as they flew towards London.

Four out of fifteen Messerschmidt 109 fighters were shot down by a Spitfire squadron over the Kent-Surrey border as they flew north-west. The rest of the Messerschmidts turned back.—British Wireless.

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AMERICA AWAKE TO FAR EAST REALITIES?

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may now doubtlessly abandon the precautions she has maintained up to now. No doubt, three years of the China war has placed a serious strain upon the Japanese, creating considerable economic difficulties, but Japanese patriotism, endurance and pride permits them to support this trial.

Arming in All Fields

"On the other hand, the Americans do not appear to be napping. It must be noted that, apart from carrying out the rapprochement with Britain, the United States is arming in all fields.

"But even taking into account the industrial power and incomparable resources of the United States, the forging of solid military armour is a long task.

It is also a longer job to awake to reality a people who for a long time believed they were invulnerable behind geographical barriers."

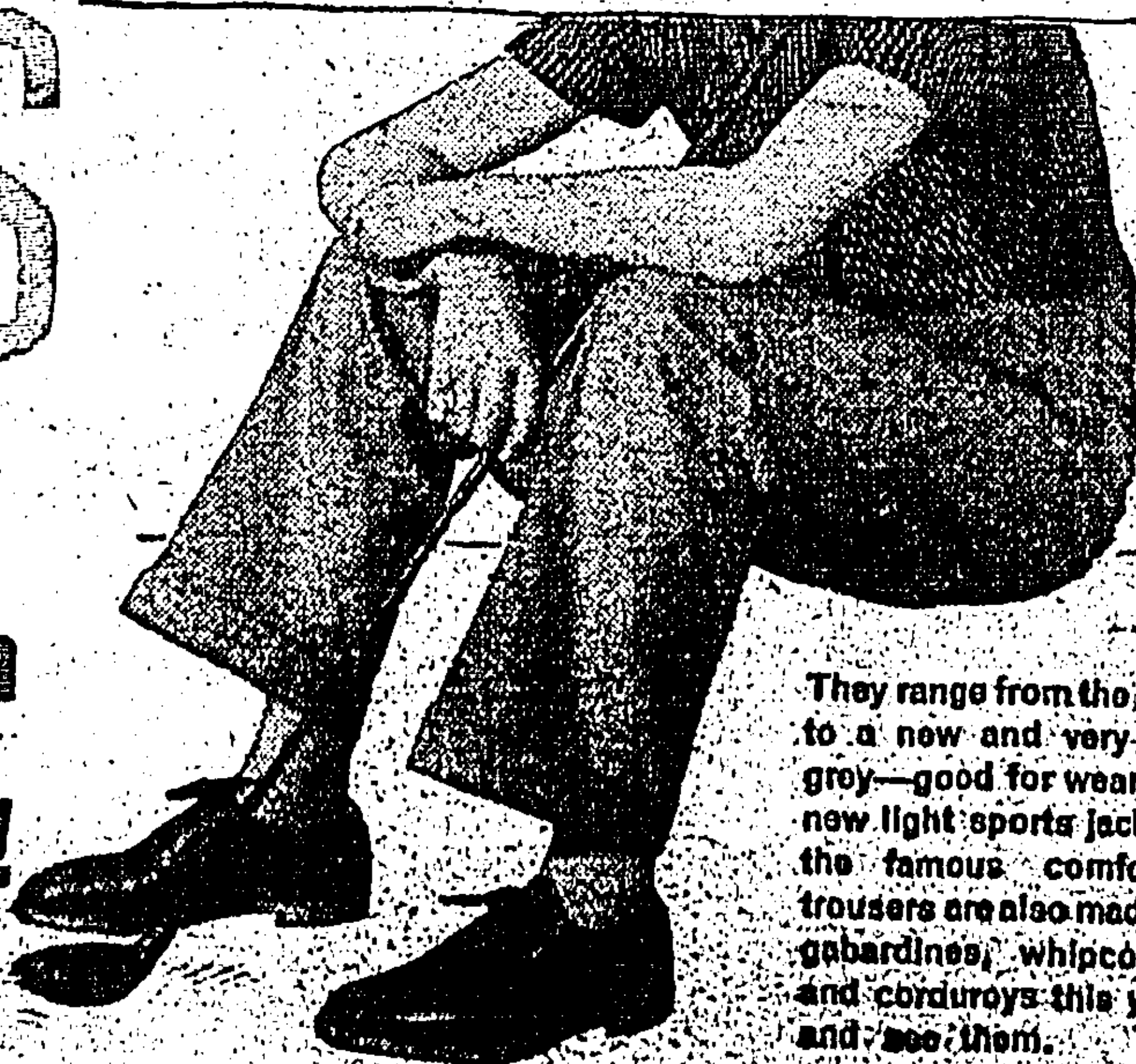
"Petit Journal" is of the opinion that Mr. Matsuoka's impending visit to Berlin and Rome will not be a purely courtesy trip.

"The position of the United States will be affected by the decisions that the three Allies will take on that occasion," says the paper.—Havas.

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